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BIBLE PRAYERS:

ARRANGED

UNDER THE SEVERAL HEADS OF

CONFESSION, PETITION, INTERCESSION, AND THANKSGIVING;

ADAPTED TO THE USE OF ALL PERSONS, UNDER EVERY VARIETY OF CIRCUMSTANCES.

I exhort, therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men.—1 Tim. ii. 1.

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He that covereth his sins shall not prosper, but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy.—*Prov.* xxviii. 13.

PREFACE.

HAVING been requested by the Compiler of "Bible Prayers" to prefix a few words by way of introduction to her work, it is with much pleasure that I do so. In days like the present, when it may be truly said of the Church of Christ, "Without are fightings, within are fears," all who love the truth must feel that every endeavour to illustrate or give prominence to the simple Word of God, deserves and should receive the warmest and most cordial support.

The object of the following little book is simple: it is to gather together the many beautiful prayers of Scripture; to collect into one group all the various supplications which,

"Like orient pearls at random strung,"

lie richly scattered over the pages of God's holy Word. There have been many volumes of prayers given to the Christian world, and all of them containing much that is helpful to the child of God in his approaches to the throne of grace; but none of them, as far as the writer is aware, of the same nature with the present. The Compiler has made it her aim to give, not only scriptural prayers, but prayers in the

exact words of Scripture; the very prayers breathed from the heart and uttered by the lips of those holy men of old, whose words and deeds have been recorded by the pen of inspiration for "our instruction in righteousness."

It must have often struck the attentive reader of the Bible that the prayers which form an important part of its contents are not only the most beautiful that can well be imagined, but that they are adapted to every supposable circumstance in which the believer can be placed. For, whether his soul be lifted up with joy, or depressed with sorrow; whether his heart give forth the melody of thanksgiving, or be attuned to the more solemn notes of sadness; whether he be "afflicted or distressed in mind, body, or estate," or be in pain, or sickness, or bereavement, he will find, in God's Word, petitions alike suitable to his state. This collection, therefore, of Scripture Prayers, arranged as they are under their several appropriate heads, will be acceptable to those who desire to possess, in a narrow compass, and adapted for convenient reference, the "confessions, petitions, intercessions, and thanksgivings," which are interspersed throughout the Sacred Writings.

Nor can such a volume as the present fail of

being most welcome to those suffering brethren in the Lord, who, from "weakness of the flesh," or anxiety of mind, feel it at times to be a most difficult thing to collect their thoughts and to approach the throne of grace with that pleasure and that profit which they so truly desire. For, let them but open "Bible Prayers," and at once they will find a petition, a short ejaculation, a fervent supplication, formerly the utterance of a saint now in glory, which will assist them in making known their wants to their heavenly Father. And it cannot but be comforting to all such to remember that their Lord and Master, He who had "the Spirit without measure," and "in whom were hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge," in the time of His greatest agony, and in the hour when He "poured forth his soul unto death," employed, not His own words, but a form of expression taken from the Scriptures. His thrilling cry upon the cross was the heart-breathed prayer of the son of Jesse before him, "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?" And bowing his head, He gave up the ghost with the language of the same royal Psalmist on his lips, "Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit."

In justice to the compiler of the present volume another *remark* must be made. It cannot have

escaped the notice of the Bible student that some of its most striking petitions are addressed from man to man: such, perhaps, cannot, strictly speaking, be called *prayers*, which, in the highest acceptation of the term, are direct addresses to God; but as many of them may be turned into prayers, and all of them will furnish material for supplication, they are included in the present volume. The Compiler trusts her reasons for so doing will be accepted by those who might object that she has not rigidly adhered to the precise wording of her title.

To the Lord, in whose cause the work has been undertaken, it is now committed, with the feeling that in whatever way the Christian public may receive it, the hours of pleasant labour spent in its compilation cannot altogether be in vain. For the writer of this introduction, knowing as he does, that the diligent search of the Scriptures necessary for such a work has been, under God, profitable to the compiler, and believing that the volume itself may also tend to the comfort and edification of others, nothing remains but to commend it to the blessing of Him "without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy."

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BIBLE PRAYERS.

SCRIPTURE CONFESSIONS.

"If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us: if we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."—1 *John* i. 8, 9.

SCRIPTURE CONFESSIONS.

I. INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION OF SINS AGAINST GOD.

I DO remember my faults this day.—*Gen.* xli. 9.

Unclean, unclean.—*Lev.* xiii. 45.

I have sinned; for I knew not that thou stoodest in the way against me; now therefore if it displease thee, I will get me back again.—*Numb.* xxii. 34.

Indeed I have sinned against the Lord God of Israel, and thus and thus have I done.—*Joshua* vii. 20.

I have sinned, behold I have played the fool, and have erred exceedingly.—1 *Sam.* xxvi. 21.

I have sinned against the Lord.—2 *Sam.* xii. 13.

I have sinned greatly, because I have done this thing, but now, I beseech thee, do away the iniquity of thy servant, for I have done very foolishly.—1 *Chron.* xxi. 8.

What is man that thou shouldst magnify him? and that thou shouldst set thine heart upon him? and that thou shouldst visit him every

morning, and try him every moment? How long wilt thou not depart from me nor let me alone? I have sinned, what shall I do unto thee, O thou Preserver of men? why hast thou set me as a mark against thee so that I am a burden to myself? and why dost thou not pardon my transgression and take away mine iniquity? for now shall I sleep in the dust, and thou shalt seek me in the morning, but I shall not be.—*Job* vii. 17—21.

I have sinned, and perverted that which was right, and it profited me not.—*Job* xxxiii. 27.

I have borne chastisement, I will not offend any more: that which I see not teach thou me: if I have done iniquity I will do no more.—*Job* xxxiv. 31, 32.

Behold, I am vile; what shall I answer thee? I will lay mine hand upon my mouth. Once have I spoken, but I will not answer: yea, twice; but I will proceed no further.—*Job* xl. 4, 5.

Hear, I beseech thee, and I will speak; I will demand of thee, and declare thou unto me. I have heard of thee by the hearing of the ear, but now mine eye seeth thee, wherefore I abhor myself, and repent in dust and ashes.—*Job* xlii. 4, 5.

For thy name's sake, O Lord, pardon mine iniquity, for it is great.—*Ps.* xxv. 11.

My life is spent with grief and my years with

sighing; my strength faileth because of mine iniquity, and my bones are consumed.—*Ps.* xxx. 10.

Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy loving kindness; according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions, wash me throughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin, for I acknowledge my transgressions and my sin is ever before me. Against thee, thee only have I sinned and done this evil in thy sight; that thou mightest be justified when thou speakest, and be clear when thou judgest. Behold I was shapen in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me: Behold thou desirest truth in the inward parts, and in the hidden part thou shalt make me to know wisdom. Purge me with hyssop and I shall be clean. Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow; make me to hear joy and gladness, that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice; hide thy face from my sins and blot out all mine iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from thy presence, and take not thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation, and uphold me with thy free spirit. Deliver me from blood-guiltiness, O God, thou God of my salvation; and my tongue

shall sing aloud of thy righteousness. O Lord, open thou my lips, and my mouth shall show forth thy praise. For thou desirest not sacrifice, else would I give it, thou delightest not in burnt offering. The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit, a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.—*Ps.* li. 1—17.

If thou, Lord, shouldst mark iniquity, O Lord, who shall stand. But there is forgiveness with thee, that thou mayest be feared.—*Ps.* cxxx. 3, 4.

Woe is me! for I am undone, because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips, for mine eyes have seen the king, the Lord of Hosts.—*Isaiah* vi. 5.

My Father, thou art the guide of my youth. Will he reserve his anger for ever? Will he keep it to the end?—*Jer.* iii. 4, 5.

O Lord, I know that the way of man is not in himself, it is not in man that walketh to direct his steps. O Lord correct me but with judgment, not in thine anger, lest thou bring me to nothing.—*Jer.* x. 23.

Thou hast chastised me, and I was chastised as a bullock unaccustomed to the yoke; turn thou me, and I shall be turned; for thou art the Lord my God. Surely after that I was turned,

I repented, and after that I was instructed I smote upon my thigh; I was ashamed, yea, even confounded, because I did bear the reproach of my youth.—*Jer.* xxxi. 18, 19.

The Lord is righteous; for I have rebelled against his commandments. Behold, O Lord, for I am in distress, my bowels are troubled, mine heart is turned within me; for I have grievously rebelled. My sighs are many and my heart is faint.—*Lam.* i. 18, 20, 22.

God be merciful to me a sinner.—*Luke* xviii. 13.

Father, I have sinned against heaven and before thee, and am no more worthy to be called thy son.—*Luke* xv. 18.

INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION OF SINS AGAINST OUR NEIGHBOUR.

We are verily guilty concerning our brother in that we saw the anguish of his soul, when he besought us and we would not hear, therefore is this distress come upon us.—*Gen.* xlii. 21.

How have I hated instruction, and my heart despised reproof; and have not obeyed the voice of my teachers, nor inclined mine ear unto them that instructed me. I was almost in all evil in

the midst of the congregation and assembly.—*Proverbs* v. 12, 13, 14.

I have sinned, in that I have betrayed the innocent blood.—*Matt.* xxvii. 9.

CONGREGATIONAL CONFESSION OF THE SINS OF THE CHURCH.

Alas, my Lord, I beseech thee, lay not the sin upon us, wherein we have done foolishly, and wherein we have sinned.—*Numb.* xii. 11.

Lo, we be here, and will go up unto the place which the Lord hath promised; for we have sinned.—*Numb.* xiv. 40.

We have sinned, for we have spoken against the Lord.—*Numb.* xxi. 7.

We have sinned against the Lord, we will go up and fight, according to all that the Lord our God commands us.—*Deut.* i. 41.

We have sinned against thee, both because we have forsaken our God, and also served Baalim. —*Judges* x. 10.

We have sinned; do thou unto us whatsoever seemeth good unto thee; deliver us only we pray thee this day.—*Judges* x. 15.

We have sinned against the Lord.—1 *Sam.* vii. 6.

We have sinned, because we have forsaken the Lord, and have served Baalim, and Ashtaroth, but now deliver us out of the hand of our enemies, and we will serve thee.—1 *Sam.* xii. 10.

We have sinned, and have done perversely, we have committed wickedness.—1 *Kings* viii. 47.

We have trespassed against our God, and have taken strange wives of the people of the land.—*Ezra* x. 2.

O remember not against us former iniquities; let thy tender mercies speedily prevent us; for we are brought very low—help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of thy name, and deliver us, and purge away our sins, for thy name sake. —*Ps.* lxxix. 8, 9.

We are consumed by thine anger, and by thy wrath we are troubled, thou hast set our iniquities before thee, our secret sins in the light of thy countenance; for all our days are passed away in thy wrath; we spend our years as a tale that is told; who knoweth the power of thine anger? even according to thy fear, so is thy wrath.—*Ps.* xc. 8, 9, 11.

O Lord though our iniquities testify against us, do thou it for thy name's sake, for our backslidings are many; we have sinned against thee. O the hope of Israel, the Saviour thereof in

time of trouble, why shouldest thou be as a stranger in the land, and as a wayfaring man that turneth aside to tarry for a night? Why shouldest thou be as a man astonished, as a mighty man that cannot save? yet thou, O Lord, art in the midst of us, and we are called by thy name; leave us not.—*Jer.* xiv. 7, 8, 9.

We have transgressed and have rebelled, thou hast not pardoned, thou hast covered with anger, and persecuted us; thou hast slain, thou hast not pitied, thou hast covered thyself with a cloud, that our prayer should not pass through; thou hast made us as the offscouring and refuse in the midst of the people, all our enemies have opened their mouths against us; fear and a snare is come upon us, desolation and destruction.—*Lam.* iii. 42, 43, 44, 45, 46.

SINS OF THE NATION.

We have sinned with our fathers, we have committed iniquity, we have done wickedly.—*Ps.* cvi. 6.

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way.—*Isaiah* liii. 6.

Our transgressions are multiplied before thee, and our sins testify against us; for our transgressions are with us; and as for our iniquities, we

know them; In transgressing and lying against the Lord, and departing away from our God, speaking oppression and revolt, conceiving and uttering from the heart words of falsehood.—*Isaiah* lix. 12.

Behold we come unto thee; for thou art the Lord our God. Truly in vain is salvation hoped for from the hills, and from the multitude of mountains; truly in the Lord our God is the salvation of Israel; we lie down in our shame, and our confusion covereth us, for we have sinned against the Lord our God, we and our fathers, from our youth even unto this day, and have not obeyed the voice of the Lord our God. —*Jer.* iii. 22, 25.

We acknowledge, O Lord, our wickedness, and the iniquity of our fathers, for we have sinned against thee, do not abhor us for thy name's sake, do not disgrace the throne of thy glory, remember, break not thy covenant with us.—*Jer.* xiv. 20.

They obeyed not thy voice, neither walked in thy law; they have done nothing of all that thou commandedst them to do, therefore thou hast caused all this evil to come upon them.—*Jer.* xxxii. 23.

Remember, O Lord, what is come upon us, consider and behold our reproach, our inheritance is turned to strangers, our houses to aliens, we are

orphans and fatherless, our mothers are as widows, we have drunken our water for money; our wood is sold unto us, our necks are under persecution; we labour and have no rest. The joy of our heart is ceased; our dance is turned into mourning. The crown is fallen from our head: woe unto us that we have sinned! For this our heart is faint, for these things our eyes are dim. Thou, O Lord, remainest for ever; thy throne from generation to generation. Wherefore dost thou forget us for ever, and forsake us so long time? Turn thou us unto thee, O Lord, and we shall be turned; renew our days, as of old. But thou hast utterly rejected us, thou art very wroth against us.—*Lam.* v. 1—5, 15—22.

INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION OF THE SINS OF THE CHURCH.

O my God, I am ashamed and blush to lift up my face to thee, my God; for our iniquities are increased over our head, and our trespass is grown up unto the heavens. Since the days of our fathers have we been in a great trespass unto this day. And now for a little space, grace hath been showed from the Lord our God, to leave us a remnant to escape; and to give us a nail in his holy place, that our God may lighten

our eyes, and give us a little reviving. And now, O our God, what shall we say after this? We have forsaken thy commandments which thou hast commanded by thy servants the prophets. And after all that is come upon us for our evil deeds and for our great trespass, seeing that thou our God hast punished us less than our iniquities deserve, and hast given us such deliverance as this, should we again break thy commandments, wouldest thou not be angry with us till thou hadst consumed us, so that there should be no remnant nor escaping? O Lord God of Israel, thou art righteous, for we remain yet escaped, as it is this day, behold, we are before thee in our trespasses; for we cannot stand before thee because of this.—*Ezra* ix. 6—15.

I beseech thee, O Lord God of heaven, the great and terrible God, that keepeth covenant and mercy for them that love him and observe his commandments: Let thine ear now be attentive, and thine eyes open that thou mayst hear the prayer of thy servant, which I pray before thee now, day and night, for the children of Israel thy servants, and confess the sins of the children of Israel, which we have sinned against thee: both I and my father's house have sinned. We have dealt very corruptly against thee, and have

not kept the commandments nor the statutes, nor the judgments which thou commandest thy servants; now these are thy servants and thy people whom thou hast redeemed by thy great power and by thy strong hand.—*Neh.* i. 5, 6, 7, 10.

Thou meetest him that rejoiceth and worketh righteousness, those that remember thee in thy ways; behold thou art wroth, for we have sinned. We are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags, and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities like the wind have taken us away. And there is none that calleth upon thy name, that stirreth up himself to take hold of thee; for thou hast hid thy face from us and hast consumed us, because of our iniquities. But now, O Lord, thou art our Father; we are the clay and thou our potter, and we all are the work of thy hand. Be not wroth very sore, O Lord, neither remember iniquity for ever. Behold, see we beseech thee, we are all thy people.—*Isaiah* lxiv. 1—9.

INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION OF THE SINS OF THE NATION.

O Lord, the great and dreadful God, keeping the covenant and mercy to them that love him,

and to them that keep his commandments. 5. We have sinned, and have committed iniquity, and have done wickedly, and have rebelled, even by departing from thy precepts, and from thy judgments. 6. Neither have we hearkened unto thy servants the prophets, which spake in thy name to our kings, our princes, and our fathers, and to all the people of the land. 7. O Lord, righteousness belongeth unto thee, but unto us confusion of faces, as at this day; unto all Israel, that are near and that are far off, through all the countries whither thou hast driven them, because of their trespass that they have trespassed against thee. 8. O Lord, to us belongeth confusion of faces, to our kings, to our princes, and to our fathers, because we have sinned against thee. 9. To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against him; 10. neither have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in his laws which he set before us by his servants the prophets. 15. And now, O Lord our God, that hast brought thy people forth out of the land of Egypt with a mighty hand, and hast gotten thee renown as at this day; we have sinned, we have done wickedly.—*Daniel* ix. 4—15.

Our God, the great, the mighty, and the terri-

ble God, who keepest covenant and mercy, let not all the trouble seem little before thee that hath come upon us, on our kings, our princes, and our priests, and on our prophets, and on our fathers, and on all thy people. Howbeit thou art just in all that is brought upon us, for thou hast done right, but we have done wickedly. Neither have our kings, our princes, our priests, nor our fathers, kept thy law nor hearkened unto thy commandments, and thy testimonies wherewith thou didst testify against them. For they have not served thee in their kingdom and in thy great goodness that thou gavest them, and in the large and fat land which thou gavest before them, neither turned they from their wicked works.—*Nehemiah* ix. 32—35.

KING'S CONFESSIONS.

I have sinned this time; the Lord is righteous, and I and my people are wicked.—*Exodus* ix. 27.

I have sinned, for I have transgressed the commandment of the Lord and thy words; because I feared the people and obeyed their voice. Now, therefore, I pray thee pardon my sin, and turn again with me that I may worship the Lord.—1 *Samuel* xv. 24, 25.

Even I it is that have sinned and done evil indeed; but as for these sheep what have they done? Let thine hand, I pray thee, O Lord my God, be on me and on my father's house; but not on thy people that they should be plagued.—1 *Chron.* xxi. 17.

PETITIONS.

"And the king said, What is thy petition? and it shall be granted thee; and what is thy request further? and it shall be done."—*Esther* ix. 12.

PETITIONS.

FOR SPIRITUAL AND TEMPORAL FOOD

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.—*Matt.* vi.

If God will be with me, and will keep me in this way that I go, and will give me bread to eat, and raiment to put on, so that I come again to my father's house in peace, then shall the Lord be my God; and of all that thou shalt give me, I will surely give the tenth unto thee.—*Gen.* xxviii. 20.

Give us bread; for why should we die in thy presence? Wherefore shall we die before thine eyes, both we and our land? and give us seed, that we may live, and not die, that the land be not desolate.—*Gen.* xlvii. 15.

Who shall give us flesh to eat? We remem-

ber the fish which we did eat in Egypt freely; the cucumbers and the melons, and the leeks, and the onions, and the garlic; but now our soul is dried away; there is nothing at all beside this manna before our eyes.—*Numb.* xi. 4.

Why have ye brought up the congregation of the Lord into this wilderness, that we and our cattle should die there?—*Numb.* xx. 4.

If I have found grace in thy sight, let this land be given unto thy servants for a possession, and bring us not over Jordan.—*Numb.* xxxii. 5.

Give me, I pray thee, a little water to drink, for I am thirsty.—*Judges* iv. 19.

Thou hast given this great deliverance into the hand of thy servant, and now shall I die for thirst, and fall into the hand of the uncircumcised?—*Judges* xv. 18.

O Lord, to thee will I cry; for the fire hath devoured the pastures of the wilderness, and the flame hath burnt all the trees of the field. The beasts of the field cry also unto thee, for the rivers of waters are dried up, and the fire hath devoured the pastures of the wilderness.—*Joel* i. 19.

Master, we would that thou shouldst do for us whatsoever we shall desire.—*Mark* x. 35.

Lord, evermore give us this bread.—*John* vi. 34.

FOR GUIDANCE TO CANAAN.

O Lord God, thou hast begun to shew thy servant thy greatness, and thy mighty hand; for what God is there in heaven or in earth, that can do according to thy works, and according to thy might. I pray thee let me go over, and see the good land that is beyond Jordan.—*Deut.* iii. 24, 25.

Shew us, we pray thee, the entrance into the city.—*Judges* i. 24.

Search me, O God, and know my heart; try mė, and know my thoughts; and see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the wāy everlasting.—*Ps.* cxxxix. 23.

Draw me, we will run after thee.—*Cant.* i. 4.

O send out thy light and thy truth; let them lead me, let them bring me unto thy holy hill, and to thy tabernacles. Then will I go unto the altar of God; unto God, my exceeding joy; yea, upon the harp will I praise thee, O God, my God.—*Ps.* xliii. 1—4.

Who will bring me into the strong city? Who will lead me into Edom? Wilt not thou, O God, who hast cast us off? and wilt not thou, O God, go forth with our hosts?—*Ps.* cviii. 10.

FOR, AND AT, DEATH.

Let me die the death of the righteous, and let my last end be like his.—*Numb.* xxiii. 10.

Would God it were even! would God it were morning.—*Deut.* xxviii. 67.

It is enough; now, O Lord God, take away my life, for I am not better than my fathers.—1 *Kings* xix. 4.

O that I might have my request: and that God would grant me the thing that I long for! Even that it would please God to destroy me; that he would let loose his hand and cut me off. Then should I yet have comfort; yea, I would harden myself in sorrow; let him not spare; for I have not concealed the words of the Holy One, What is my strength, that I should hope? What is mine end, that I should prolong my life?—*Job* vi. 8, &c.

Now, O Lord, take, I beseech thee, my life from me; for it is better for me to die, than to live.—*Jonah* iv. 3.

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word. For mine eyes have seen thy salvation; which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; a light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel.—*Luke* ii. 29.

Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit. —*Luke* xxiii. 46.

Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.—*Acts* vii. 59.

Into thine hand I commit my spirit: thou hast redeemed me, O Lord God of truth—*Ps.* xxxi. 6.

FOR LIFE.

I pray thee, let me live.—1 *Kings* xx. 32.

I pray thee, let my life, and the life of these thy servants be precious in thy sight. Let my life now be precious in thy sight.—2 *Kings* i. 13.

Preserve me, O God; for in thee do I put my trust.—*Ps.* xvi. 1.

Hear my prayer, O Lord, and let my cry come unto thee. Hide not thy face from me, in the day when I am in trouble; incline thine ear unto me; in the day when I call, answer me speedily; for my days are consumed like smoke, and my bones are burned as an hearth. My heart is smitten, and withered like grass; so that I forget to eat my bread. Because of thine indignation and thy wrath, for thou hast lifted me up, and cast me down. My days are like a shadow that declineth, and I am withered like grass. But thou, O Lord, shalt endure for ever; and thy remembrance unto all generations.—*Ps.* cii. 1, &c.

O my God, take me not away in the midst of my days; thy years are throughout all generations.—*Ps.* cii. 24.

O Lord, I beseech thee, deliver my soul.—*Ps.* cxvi. 4.

Hear my prayer, O Lord, give ear to my supplications: in thy faithfulness answer me, and in thy righteousness. And enter not into judgment with thy servant: for in thy sight shall no man living be justified. For the enemy hath persecuted my soul; he hath smitten my life down to the ground; he hath made me to dwell in darkness, as those that have been long dead. Therefore is my spirit overwhelmed within me; my heart within me is desolate. I remember the days of old; I meditate on all thy works; I muse on the work of thy hands. I stretch forth my hands unto thee; my soul thirsteth after thee, as a thirsty land. Selah. Hear me speedily, O Lord; my spirit faileth: hide not thy face from me, lest I be like unto them that go down into the pit. Cause me to hear thy lovingkindness in the morning; for in thee do I trust: cause me to know the way wherein I should walk; for I lift up my soul unto thee. Deliver me, O Lord, from mine enemies: I flee unto thee to hide me. Teach me to do thy will; for thou art my God:

thy Spirit is good; lead me into the land of uprightness. Quicken me, O Lord, for thy name's sake; for thy righteousness' sake bring my soul out of trouble. And of thy mercy cut off mine enemies, and destroy all them that afflict my soul: for I am thy servant.—*Ps.* cxliii.

Mine eyes fail with looking upward; O Lord, I am oppressed; undertake for me. What shall I say? he hath both spoken unto me, and himself hath done it. I shall go softly all my years in the bitterness of my soul. O Lord, by these things men live, and in all these things is the life of my spirit; so wilt thou recover me, and make me to live.—*Isaiah* xxxviii. 14, &c.

Lord, save us, we perish.—*Matt.* viii. 25.

FOR REMEMBRANCE.

I beseech thee, O Lord, remember now how I have walked before thee in truth, and with a perfect heart, and have done that which is good in thy sight.—2 *Kings* xx. 3.

Remember me, O my God, concerning this, and wipe not out my good deeds that I have done for the house of my God, and for the offices thereof.—*Neh.* xiii. 14.

Remember me, O my God, for good.—*Neh.* xiii. 31.

Judge me, O Lord, according to my righteousness, and according to mine integrity that is in me.—*Ps.* vii. 7.

Remember now, O Lord, I beseech thee, how I have walked before thee in truth, and with a perfect heart, and have done that which is good in thy sight.—*Isaiah* xxxviii. 3.

Give heed to me, O Lord, and hearken to the voice of them that contend with me. Remember that I stood before thee to speak good for them, and to turn away thy wrath from them.—*Jer.* xviii. 19.

Lord, remember me when thou comest into thy kingdom.—*Luke* xxiii. 42.

FOR CLEANSING.

Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean.—*Matt.* viii. 2.

FOR GRACE.

Let me find grace in the sight of my Lord.—*Gen.* xxxi. 16.

Now, therefore, I pray thee, if I have found grace in thy sight, shew me now thy way, that I may know thee, that I may find grace in thy sight.—*Exod.* xxxiii. 13.

I beseech thee, shew me thy glory.—*Exod.* xxxiii. 18.

Let me find favour in thy sight, my Lord.—*Ruth* ii. 13.

I humbly beseech thee, that I may find grace in thy sight, my Lord, O King.—2 *Sam.* xvi. 4.

PETITIONS FOR CHILDREN.

Lord God, what wilt thou give me, seeing I go childless; behold to me thou hast given no seed; and one born in my house, is mine heir.—*Gen.* xv. 2, 3.

O Lord of Hosts, if thou wilt indeed look on the affliction of thine handmaid, and remember me, and not forget thine handmaid, but wilt give unto thine handmaid a man child, then I will give him unto the Lord all the days of his life.—1 *Sam.* i. 11.

FOR PARDON, AND TO BE KEPT FROM SIN.

I pray thee, forgive the trespass of thine handmaid.—1 *Sam.* xxv. 28.

Be it far from me, O Lord, that I should do this thing.—2 *Sam.* xxiii. 17.

PETITIONS FOR DELIVERANCE FROM DANGERS AND EVILS, TEMPORAL AND SPIRITUAL.

Oh, not so, my Lord! Behold now thy servant hath found grace in thy sight, and thou hast magnified thy mercy, which thou hast showed

unto me in saving my life; behold now this city is near to flee unto; oh, let me escape thither, and my soul shall live.—*Gen.* xix. 18, &c.

O God of my father, the Lord which saidest unto me, return unto thy country, and to thy kindred, and I will deal well with thee; I am not worthy of the least of all the mercies, and of all the truth which thou hast shewed unto thy servant; for with my staff, I passed over this Jordan, and now I am become two bands. Deliver me, I pray thee, from the hand of my brother, for I fear him, lest he will come and smite me, and the mother with the children.—*Gen.* xxxii. 9, &c.

Think on me, and shew kindness I pray thee unto me, and bring me out of this house.—*Gen.* xl. 14.

Let me not hear again the voice of the Lord my God, neither let me see this great fire any more, that I die not.—*Deut.* xviii. 16.

The Lord forbid that I should stretch forth mine hand against the Lord's anointed. Let my life be much set by in the eyes of the Lord, and let him deliver me out of all tribulation.—1 *Sam.* xxvi. 11, 24.

Let us fall now into the hand of the Lord; for his mercies are great; and let me not fall into the hand of man.—2 *Sam.* xxiv. 14.

O Lord, I pray thee, turn the counsel of —— into foolishness.—2 *Sam.* xv. 31.

If ye be come to betray me to mine enemies, seeing there is no wrong in mine hand, the God of our fathers look thereon, and rebuke it.—1 *Chron.* xii. 17.

I am thy servant and thy son, come up and save me out of the hand of ——, and out of the hand of ——, which rise up against me.—2 *Kings* xvi. 7.

Let me fall now into the hand of the Lord; for very great are his mercies; but let me not fall into the hand of man.—1 *Chron.* xxi. 13.

Deliver me from the enemy's hand, redeem me from the hand of the mighty.—*Job* vi. 23.

Lord, how are they increased that trouble me? many are they that rise up against me. Many there be which say of my soul, there is no help for him in God. But thou, O Lord, art a shield for me; my glory, and the lifter up of mine head. Arise, O Lord; save me, O my God, for thou hast smitten all mine enemies upon the cheek bone; thou hast broken the teeth of the ungodly; salvation belongeth unto the Lord; thy blessing is upon thy people.—*Ps.* iii. 1—3.

O Lord my God, in thee do I put my trust:

save me from all them that persecute me, and deliver me: lest he tear my soul like a lion, rending it in pieces, while there is none to deliver.—*Ps.* vii. 1.

Arise, O Lord, in thine anger, lift up thyself because of the rage of mine enemies: oh, let the wickedness of the wicked come to an end, but establish the just.—*Ps.* vii. 6.

Arise, O Lord; disappoint him, cast him down, deliver my soul from the wicked, which is thy sword; from men which are thy hand, O Lord, from men of the world, which have their portion in this life, and whose belly thou fillest with thy hid treasure; they are full of children, and leave the rest of their substance to their babes. As for me, I will behold thy face in righteousness: I shall be satisfied when I awake with thy likeness.—*Ps.* xvii. 13.

My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? why art thou so far from helping me, and from the words of my roaring? O my God, I cry in the day time, but thou hearest not; and in the night season I am not silent. But thou art holy, O thou that inhabitest the praises of Israel. Our fathers trusted in thee; they trusted, and thou didst deliver them; they cried unto thee, and were delivered; thy trusted in thee, and

were not confounded. Thou art he that took me out of the womb: thou didst make me hope when I was upon my mother's breasts. I was cast upon thee from the womb; thou art my God from my mother's belly. Be not far from me; for trouble is near; for there is none to help. I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint; my heart is like wax; it is melted in the midst of my bowels; my strength is dried up like a potsherd; and my tongue cleaveth to my jaws; and thou hast brought me into the dust of death. But be not thou far from me, O Lord: O my strength, haste thee to help me. Deliver my soul from the sword. Save me from the lion's mouth.—*Ps.* xxii. 1, &c.

Unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul. O my God, I trust in thee; let me not be ashamed, let not mine enemies triumph over me. Yea, let none that wait on thee be ashamed.—*Ps.* xxv. 1, 2, 3.

I trusted in thee, O Lord: I said thou art my God. My times are in thy hand: deliver me from the hand of mine enemies, and from them that persecute me.—*Ps.* xxxi. 14.

Plead my cause, O Lord, with them that strive with me: fight against them that fight

against me. Take hold of shield and buckler, and stand up for mine help. Draw out also the spear, and stop the way against them that persecute me: say unto my soul, I am thy salvation. Lord, how long wilt thou look on? rescue my soul from their destructions, my darling from the lions. Let not them that are mine enemies wrongfully rejoice over me. For they speak not peace: but they devise deceitful matters against them that are at quiet in the land. This thou hast seen, O Lord: keep not silence: O Lord, be not far from me. Stir up thyself, and awake to my judgment, even unto my cause, my God and my Lord. Judge me, O Lord my God, according to thy righteousness; and let not them rejoice over me. Let them not say in their hearts, Ah, so would we have it: let them not say, we have swallowed him up.—*Ps.* xxxv. 1—3.

Be pleased, O Lord, to deliver me: O Lord, make haste to help me. I am poor and needy; yet the Lord thinketh upon me: thou art my help and my deliverer; make no tarrying, O my Lord.—*Ps.* xl. 13, 17.

Judge me, O God, and plead my cause against an ungodly nation: O deliver me from the deceitful and unjust man. For thou art the God

of my strength: why dost thou cast me off? why go I mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?—*Ps.* xliii. 1.

Give ear to my prayer, O God; and hide not thyself from my supplications. Attend unto me, and hear me; I mourn in my complaint and make a noise; Because of the voice of the enemy, because of the oppression of the wicked; for they cast iniquity upon me and in wrath they hate me. The terrors of death are fallen upon me. Fearfulness and trembling are come upon me, and horror hath overwhelmed me; but I will trust in thee.—*Ps.* lv. 1, &c.

Be merciful unto me, O God: for man would swallow me up; he fighting daily oppresseth me. Mine enemies would daily swallow me up: for they be many that fight against me, O thou Most High. What time I am afraid, I will trust in thee. In God I will praise his word, in God I have put my trust; I will not fear what flesh can do unto me. Every day they wrest my words: all their thoughts are against me for evil. They gather themselves together, they hide themselves, they mark my steps, when they wait for my soul. Shall they escape by iniquity? in thine anger cast down the people, O God. Thou

tellest my wanderings: put thou my tears into thy bottle: are they not in thy book? When I cry unto thee, then shall mine enemies turn back: this I know; for God is for me.—*Ps.* lvi. 1, &c.

Deliver me from mine enemies, O my God: defend me from them that rise up against me. Deliver me from the workers of iniquity, and from bloody men. They run and prepare themselves without my fault: awake to help me, and behold.—*Ps.* lix. 1.

Hear my voice, O God, in my prayer: preserve my life from fear of the enemy. Hide me from the secret counsel of the wicked; from the insurrection of the workers of iniquity; who wet their tongues like a sword, and bend their bows to shoot their arrows, even bitter words.—*Ps.* lxiv. 1, &c.

Hear me, O Lord; for thy lovingkindness is good: turn unto me, according to the multitude of thy tender mercies. And hide not thy face from thy servant; for I am in trouble: hear me speedily. Draw nigh unto my soul, and redeem it: deliver me because of mine enemies. Thou hast known my reproach, and my shame, and my dishonour; mine adversaries are all before thee.

Reproach hath broken my heart; and I am full of heaviness: and I looked for some to take pity, but there was none; and for comforters, but I found none. I am poor and sorrowful: let thy salvation, O God, set me up on high.—*Ps.* lxix. 16, &c.

In thee, O Lord, do I put my trust: let me never be put to confusion. Deliver me in thy righteousness, and cause me to escape: incline thine ear unto me, and save me, for thou art my rock and my fortress. Deliver me, O my God, out of the hand of the wicked, out of the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man.—*Ps.* lxxi. 1.

O God, the proud are risen against me, and the assemblies of violent men have sought after my soul, and have not set thee before them. O turn unto me, and have mercy upon me; give thy strength unto thy servant, and save the son of thine handmaid. Shew me a token for good; that they which hate me may see it, and be ashamed: because thou, Lord, hast holpen me, and comforted me.—*Ps.* lxxxvi. 14.

Deliver my soul, O Lord, from lying lips, and from a deceitful tongue.—*Ps.* cxx. 2.

Deliver me, O Lord, from the evil man: preserve me from the violent man.—*Ps.* cxl. 1.

Keep me, O Lord, from the hands of the

wicked; preserve me from the violent man; who have purposed to overthrow my goings.—*Ps.* cxl. 4.

Mine eyes are unto thee, O God the Lord: in thee is my trust; leave not my soul destitute. Keep me from the snares that they have laid for me, and from the gins of the workers of iniquity. —*Ps.* cxli. 8.

Thou art my refuge and my portion in the land of the living. Attend unto my cry; for I am brought very low: deliver me from my persecutors; for they are stronger than I. Bring my soul out of prison, that I may praise thy name. —*Ps.* cxlii. 5.

Send thine hand from above; rid me, and deliver me out of great waters, from the hand of strange children; whose mouth speaketh vanity, and their right hand is a right hand of falsehood. —*Ps.* cxliv. 7.

Ah, Lord God! surely thou hast greatly deceived this people and Jerusalem, saying, Ye shall have peace; whereas the sword reacheth unto the soul.—*Jer.* iv. 10.

O Lord of hosts, that judgest righteously, that trieth the reins and the heart, let me see thy vengeance on them: for unto thee have I revealed my cause.—*Jer.* xi. 20.

Be not a terror unto me; thou art my hope in the day of evil. Let them be confounded that persecute me, but let not me be confounded: let them be dismayed, but let not me be dismayed: bring upon them the day of evil, and destroy them with double destruction.—*Jer.* xvii. 17.

O Lord, thou hast deceived me, and I was deceived: thou art stronger than I, and hast prevailed: I am in derision daily, every one mocketh me. For since I spake, I cried out, I cried violence and spoil; because the word of the Lord was made a reproach unto me, and a derision daily. Then I said, I will not make mention of him, nor speak any more in his name. But his word was in mine heart as a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I was weary with forbearing, and I could not stay. For I heard the defaming of many, fear on every side. Report, say they, and we will report it. All my familiars watched for my halting, saying, Peradventure he will be enticed, and we shall prevail against him, and we shall take our revenge on him. But the Lord is with me as a mighty terrible one: therefore my persecutors shall stumble, and they shall not prevail: they shall be greatly ashamed; for they shall not prosper: their everlasting confu-

sion shall never be forgotten. But, O Lord of hosts, that triest the righteous, and seest the reins and the heart, let me see thy vengeance on them: for unto thee have I opened my cause. Wherefore came I forth out of the womb to see labour and sorrow, that my days should be consumed with shame?—*Jer.* xx. 7, &c.

Hide not thine ear at my breathing, at my cry. O Lord, thou hast seen my wrong: judge thou my cause. Thou hast seen all their vengeance and all their imaginations against me. Thou hast heard their reproach, O Lord, and all their imaginations against me. Render unto them a recompense, O Lord, according to the work of their hand.—*Lam.* iii. 56, 59.

O my Lord, what shall be the end of these things?—*Dan.* xii. 8.

Art thou not from everlasting, O Lord my God, mine Holy One? we shall not die. O Lord, thou hast ordained them for judgment; and, O mighty God, thou hast established them for correction. Thou art of purer eyes than to behold evil, and canst not look on iniquity: wherefore lookest thou upon them that deal treacherously, and holdest thy tongue when the wicked devoureth the man that is more righteous than he?—*Habakkuk* i. 12.

O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless, not as I will, but as thou wilt.—*Matt.* xxvi. 39.

Master, carest thou not that we perish?—*Mark* iv. 38.

Abba, Father, all things are possible unto thee; take away this cup from me: nevertheless not what I will, but what thou wilt.—*Mark* xiv. 36; *Luke* xxii. 42.

Depart from me; for I am a sinful man, O Lord.—*Luke* v. 8.

Master, master, we perish.—*Luke* viii. 24.

FOR HELP, HEARING, AND SALVATION.

O Lord God of Israel, there is no God like thee in the heaven, nor in the earth; which keepest covenant, and shewest mercy unto thy servants, that walk before thee with all their hearts: have respect therefore to the prayer of thy servant, and to his supplication, O Lord my God, to hearken unto the cry and the prayer which thy servant prayeth before thee.—2 *Chron.* vi. 14.

Arise; for this matter belongeth unto thee.—*Ezra* x. 4.

Now therefore, O God, strengthen my hands—*Neh.* vi. 9.

Do not condemn me; show me wherefore thou contendest with me. Is it good unto thee that thou shouldest oppress, that thou shouldest despise the work of thine hands, and shine upon the counsel of the wicked. Hast thou eyes of flesh? or seest thou as man seeth? Are thy days as the days of man? are thy years as man's days, that thou inquirest after mine iniquity, and searchest after my sin? Thou knowest that I am not wicked, and there is none that can deliver out of thine hand. Thine hands have made me and fashioned me together round about; yet thou dost destroy me. Remember, I beseech thee, that thou hast made me as the day; and wilt thou bring me into dust again? Hast thou not poured me out as milk, and curdled me like cheese. Thou hast clothed me with skin and flesh, and hast fenced me with bones and sinews. Thou hast granted me life and favour, and thy visitation hath preserved my spirit. If I sin, then thou markest me, and thou wilt not acquit me from mine iniquity. I am full of confusion; therefore see thou mine affliction; for it increaseth. Thou huntest me as a fierce lion; and again thou shewest thyself marvellous upon me. Thou renewest thy witnesses against me; and increasest thine indignation upon me; changes and war

are against me, wherefore then hast thou brought me forth out of the womb. Oh that I had given up the ghost, and no eye had seen me. Are not my days few? Cease then, and let me alone, that I may take comfort a little, before I go whence I shall not return, even to the land of darkness and the shadow of death.—*Job* x. 2—21.

Withdraw thine hand far from me, and let not thy dread make me afraid. Then call thou, and I will answer; or let me speak, and answer thou me. How many are mine iniquities and sins? make me to know my transgression and my sin. Wherefore hidest thou thy face, and holdest me for thine enemy? Wilt thou break a leaf driven to and fro? and wilt thou pursue the dry stubble? for thou writest bitter things against me, and makest me to possess the iniquities of my youth; thou puttest my feet also in the stocks, and lookest narrowly unto all my paths; thou settest a print upon the heels of my feet.—*Job* xiii. 21.

Man that is born of a woman is of few days and full of trouble; he cometh forth like a flower, and is cut down; he fleeth also as a shadow, and continueth not. And dost thou open thine eyes upon such an one, and bringest me into judgment with thee? Who can bring a

clean thing out of an unclean? Not one. Seeing his days are determined, the number of his months are with thee, thou hast appointed his bounds that he cannot pass; turn from him, that he may rest, till he shall accomplish, as an hireling, his day. O that thou wouldest hide me in the grave, that thou wouldest keep me secret, until thy wrath be past: that thou wouldest appoint me a set time, and remember me. If a man die shall he live again? All the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come. Thou shalt call, and I will answer thee: thou wilt have a desire to the work of thine hands. For now thou numberest my steps; dost thou not watch over my sin? My transgression is sealed up in a bag, and thou sewest up mine iniquity.—*Job* xiv. 1, &c.

I cry unto thee, and thou dost not hear me. I stand up, and thou regardest me not. Thou art become cruel to me: with thy strong hand thou opposest thyself against me. Thou liftest me up to the wind; thou causest me to ride upon it, and dissolvest my substance. For I know that thou wilt bring me to death, and to the house appointed for all living.—*Job* xxx. 20.

Why standest thou afar off, O Lord? Why hidest thou thyself in times of trouble? Arise,

O Lord; O God, lift up thine hand; forget not the humble. The poor committeth himself unto thee; thou art the helper of the fatherless. Lord, thou hast heard the desire of the humble; thou wilt prepare their heart, thou wilt cause thine ear to hear; that the man of the earth may no more oppress.—*Ps.* x. 1, 12, 14, 17, 18.

Help, Lord; for the godly man ceaseth; for the faithful fail from among the children of men. —*Ps.* xii. 1.

Hear the right, O Lord, attend unto my cry; give ear unto my prayer, that goeth not out of feigned lips. Let my sentence come forth from thy presence; let thine eyes behold the things that are equal. Thou hast proved mine heart; thou hast visited me in the night, thou hast tried me, and shall find nothing. I am purposed that my mouth shall not transgress. Concerning the works of men, by the word of thy lips I have kept me from the paths of the destroyer. Hold up my goings in thy paths, that my footsteps slip not. I have called upon thee, for thou wilt hear me, O God; incline thine ear unto me and hear my speech. Show thy marvellous loving-kindness, O thou that savest by thy right hand them which put their trust in thee, from those that rise up against them. Keep me as the apple of

the eye, hide me under the shadow of thy wings, from the wicked that oppress me, from my deadly enemies who compass me about.—*Ps.* xvii. 1.

Save, Lord; let the King hear us when we call.—*Ps.* xx. 9.

Lord, I have loved the habitation of thy house, and the place where thine honour dwelleth. Gather not my soul with sinners, nor my life with bloody men; in whose hands is mischief, and their right hand is full of bribes. But as for me, I will walk in mine integrity: redeem me, and be merciful unto me.—*Ps.* xxvi. 8, &c.

Unto thee will I cry, O Lord, my rock; be not silent to me, lest if thou be silent to me, I become like them that go down into the pit; hear the voice of my supplications when I cry unto thee: when I lift up my hands toward thy holy oracle. Draw me not away with the wicked, and with the workers of iniquity, which speak peace to their neighbours, but mischief is in their hearts.—*Ps.* xxviii. 1, &c.

In thee, O Lord, do I put my trust, let me never be ashamed; deliver me in thy righteousness. Bow down thine ear to me; deliver me speedily; be thou my strong rock, for an house of defence to save me. For thou art my rock and my fortress; therefore for thy name's sake lead me,

and guide me. Pull me out of the net that they have laid privily for me: for thou art my strength. —*Ps.* xxxi. 1, &c.

O continue thy loving-kindness unto them that know thee; and thy righteousness to the upright in heart; let not the foot of pride come against me, and let not the hand of the wicked remove me.—*Ps.* xxxvi. 10.

In thee, O Lord, do I hope; thou wilt hear, O Lord my God. Forsake me not, O Lord; O my God, be not far from me. Make haste to help me, O Lord, my salvation.—*Ps.* xxxviii. 15.

Lord, make me to know mine end, and the measure of my days, what it is; that I may know how frail I am. Behold, thou hast made my days as an handbreadth; and mine age is as nothing before thee. Verily, every man, at his best state, is altogether vanity. Surely every man walketh in a vain show: surely they are disquieted in vain: he heapeth up riches, and knoweth not who shall gather them. And now, Lord, what wait I for? My hope is in thee; deliver me from all my transgressions; make me not the reproach of the foolish. I was dumb, I opened not my mouth, because thou didst it. Remove thy stroke away from me: I am consumed by the blow of thine hand. When thou

with rebukes dost correct man for his iniquity, thou makest his beauty to consume away like a moth. Surely every man is vanity. Hear my prayer, O Lord, and give ear unto my cry: hold not thy peace at my tears; for I am a stranger with thee, and a sojourner, as all my fathers were. O spare me, that I may recover strength, before I go hence, and be no more.—*Ps.* xxxix. 4, &c.

As the hart panteth after the water-brooks, so panteth my soul after thee, O God. My soul thirsteth for God, for the living God. When shall I come and appear before God? O my God, my soul is cast down within me; therefore will I remember thee from the land of Jordan. Deep calleth unto deep at the noise of thy water-spouts. All thy waves and thy billows are gone over me. Yet the Lord will command his loving-kindness in the day time, and in the night his song shall be with me, and my prayer unto the God of my life. I will say unto God my rock, Why hast thou forgotten me? Why go I mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?—*Ps.* xlii. 1, &c.

Save me, O God, by thy name, and judge me by thy strength. Hear my prayer, O God; give ear to the words of my mouth.—*Ps.* liv. 1.

Hear my cry, O God; attend unto my prayer. From the end of the earth will I cry unto thee, when my heart is overwhelmed. Lead me to the rock that is higher than I. For thou hast been a shelter for me, and a strong tower from the enemy.—*Ps.* lxi. 1.

Strengthen, O God, that which thou hast wrought in us.—*Ps.* lxviii. 28.

Make haste, O God, to deliver me; make haste to help me, O Lord. I am poor and needy: make haste unto me, O God: thou art my help and my deliverer. O Lord, make no tarrying.—*Ps.* lxx. 1.

O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; give ear, O God of Jacob; behold, O God our shield, and look upon the face of thine anointed. —*Ps.* lxxxiv. 8.

Lord, thou hast been favourable unto thy land; thou hast brought back the captivity of Jacob. Thou hast forgiven the iniquity of thy people; thou hast covered all their sin. Thou hast taken away all thy wrath; thou hast turned thyself from the fierceness of thine anger. Turn us, O God of our salvation, and cause thine anger toward us to cease. Wilt thou be angry with us for ever? Wilt thou draw out thine anger to all generations? Wilt thou not revive

us again, that thy people may rejoice in thee? Shew us thy mercy, O Lord, and grant us thy salvation.—*Ps.* lxxxv. 1.

O Lord God, to whom vengeance belongeth; O God, to whom vengeance belongeth, show thyself. Lift up thyself, thou judge of the earth; render a reward to the proud. Lord, how long shall the wicked, how long shall the wicked triumph? How long shall they utter and speak hard things, and all the workers of iniquity boast themselves? They break in pieces thy people, O Lord, and afflict thine heritage. They slay the widow and the stranger, and murder the fatherless.—*Ps.* xciv. 1, &c.

Give us help from trouble, for vain is the help of man.—*Ps.* cviii. 12.

Lord, I cry unto thee; make haste unto me? give ear unto my voice when I cry unto thee; let my prayer be set forth before thee as incense, and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice. Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth; keep the door of my lips. Incline not my heart to any evil thing, to practise wicked works with men that work iniquity.—*Ps.* cxli. 1, &c.

O Lord, be gracious unto us; we have waited for thee. Be thou their arm every morning;

our salvation also in the time of trouble.—*Isa.* xxxiii. 2.

Verily thou art a God that hidest thyself; O God of Israel, the Saviour.—*Isa.* xlv. 15.

Judgment is far from us; neither doth justice overtake us. We wait for light, but behold obscurity; for brightness, but we walk in darkness. We grope for the wall as the blind, and we grope as if we had no eyes: we stumble at noon day, as in the night; we are in desolate places, as dead men: we roar all like bears, and mourn sore like doves: we look for judgment, but there is none; for salvation, but it is far off from us.—*Isa.* lix. 9.

Look down from heaven, and behold from the habitation of thy holiness and of thy glory. Where is thy zeal and thy strength, the sounding of thy bowels and of thy mercies towards me? Are they restrained? Doubtless thou art our Father, though Abraham be ignorant of us, and Israel acknowledge us not. Thou, O Lord, art our Father, our Redeemer; thy name is from everlasting. O Lord, why hast thou made us to err from thy ways, and hardened our heart from thy fear? Return, for thy servants' sake, the tribes of thine inheritance. We are thine.—*Isa.* lxiii. 15.

Wilt thou refrain thyself for these things, O Lord? Wilt thou hold thy peace, and afflict us very sore?—*Isa.* lxiv. 12.

Arise, and save us.—*Jer.* ii. 27.

Righteous art thou, O Lord, when I plead with thee; yet let me talk with thee of thy judgments? Wherefore doth the way of the wicked prosper? Wherefore are all they happy that deal very treacherously? Thou hast planted them; yea, they have taken root: they grow; yea, they bring forth fruit: thou art near in their mouth, and far from their reins. But thou, O Lord, knowest me; thou hast seen me, and tried my heart towards thee. Pull them out like sheep for the slaughter, and prepare them for the day of slaughter. How long shall the land mourn, and the herbs of every field wither, for the wickedness of them that dwell therein?—*Jer.* xii. 1, &c.

O Lord, thou knowest; remember me, and visit me; and revenge me of my persecutors. Take me not away in thy long-suffering; know that for thy sake I have suffered rebuke. Thy words were found, and I did eat them; and thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart: for I am called by thy name, O Lord God of hosts. I sat not in the assembly of the

mockers, nor rejoiced; I sat alone, because of thy hand; for thou hast filled me with indignation. Why is my pain perpetual, and my wound incurable, which refuseth to be healed? Wilt thou be altogether unto me as a liar, and as waters that fail?—*Jer.* xv. 15, &c.

Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for thou art my praise. —*Jer.* xvii. 14.

Ah Lord God! behold thou hast made the heaven and the earth by thy great power and stretched out arm; and there is nothing too hard for thee. Thou showest loving-kindness unto thousands, and recompensest the iniquity of the fathers into the bosom of their children after them: the Great, the Mighty God, the Lord of hosts, is his name. Great in counsel and mighty in work; for thine eyes are open upon all the ways of the sons of men; to give every one according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings.—*Jer.* xxxii. 17.

Who is a God like unto thee, that pardoneth iniquity, and passeth by the transgression of the remnant of his heritage? He retaineth not his anger for ever, because he delighteth in mercy. He will turn again; he will have compassion upon us; he will subdue our iniquities; and

thou wilt cast all their sins into the depths of the sea. Thou wilt perform the truth to Jacob, and the mercy to Abraham, which thou hast sworn unto our fathers from the days of old.—*Micah* vii. 18, &c.

Lord, save me.—*Matt.* xiv. 30.

Lord, help me.—*Matt.* xv. 25.

Have mercy on us, O Lord, thou Son of David.—*Matt.* xx. 30.

Lord, I believe; help thou mine unbelief.—*Mark* ix. 24.

Lord, increase our faith.—*Luke* xiii. 5.

Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died; but I know that even now, whatsoever thou wilt ask of God, God will give it thee.—*John* xi. 21.

SELF-DEDICATION.

I will wash mine hands in innocency; so will I compass thine altar, O Lord: that I may publish with the voice of thanksgiving, and tell of all thy wondrous works.—*Ps.* xxvi. 6.

Thou, most upright, dost weigh the path of the just. Yea, in the way of thy judgments, O Lord, have we waited for thee; the desire of our soul is to thy name, and to the remembrance of thee. With my soul have I desired thee in

the night. Yea, with my spirit within me will I seek thee early; for when thy judgments are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness. Lord, thou wilt ordain peace for us; for thou also hast wrought all our works in us, O Lord our God. Other lords beside thee have had dominion over us; but by thee only will we make mention of thy name. They are dead, they shall not live; they are deceased, they shall not rise; therefore hast thou visited and destroyed them, and made all their memory to perish. Thou hast increased the nation, O Lord, thou hast increased the nation: thou art glorified: thou hadst removed it far unto all the ends of the earth. Lord, in trouble have they visited thee; they poured out a prayer when thy chastening was upon them. Like as a woman with child, that draweth near the time of her delivery, is in pain, and crieth out in her pangs; so have we been in thy sight, O Lord. We have been with child, we have been in pain, we have as it were brought forth wind, we have not wrought any deliverance in the earth; neither have the inhabitants of the world fallen.—*Isa.* xxvi. 7, &c.

Take away all iniquity, and receive us graciously; so will we render the calves of our

lips. Asshur shall not save us: we will not ride upon horses; neither will we say any more to the work of our hands, Ye are our gods: for in thee the fatherless findeth mercy.—*Hosea* xiv. 2.

Behold, we have forsaken all, and followed thee; what shall we have therefore?—*Matt.* xix. 27.

Lo! we have left all, and have followed thee. —*Mark* x. 28.

Lord! I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest.—*Luke* ix. 57.

Lord, why cannot I follow thee now? I will lay down my life for thy sake.—*John* xiii. 37.

FOR GOD'S BLESSING.

O Lord God, I pray thee, send me good speed this day.—*Gen.* xxiv. 12.

Bless me, even me also, O my father.—*Gen.* xxvii. 34.

The Lord watch between me and thee, when we are absent one from another.—*Gen.* xxxi. 49.

I will not let thee go, except thou bless me.—*Gen.* xxxii. 26.

Give me a blessing; for thou hast given me a

south land; give me also springs of water.—*Joshua* xv. 19.

And now, O Lord God, thou art that God, and thy words be true, and thou hast promised this goodness unto thy servant; therefore, now let it please thee to bless the house of thy servant, that it may continue for ever before thee; for thou, O Lord God, hast spoken it; and with thy blessing let the house of thy servant be blessed for ever.—2 *Sam.* vii. 28.

O that thou wouldest bless me indeed, and enlarge my coast, and that thine hand might be with me, and that thou wouldest keep me from evil, that it may not grieve me.—1 *Chron.* iv. 10.

Save now, I beseech thee, O Lord; O Lord, I beseech thee, send now prosperity.—*Ps.* cxviii. 26.

Two things have I required of thee; deny me them not before I die: remove far from me vanity and lies; give me neither poverty nor riches; feed me with food convenient for me; lest I be full and deny thee, and say, Who is the Lord? or lest I be poor, and steal, and take the name of my God in vain.—*Prov.* xxx. 7, 8, 9.

FOR GOD'S PRESENCE.

My Lord, if now I have found favour in thy

sight, pass not away, I pray thee, from thy servant.—*Gen.* xviii. 3.

Leave us not, I pray thee, forasmuch as thou knowest how we are to encamp in the wilderness. —*Numb.* x. 31.

If now I have found grace in thy sight, depart not hence, I pray thee.—*Judges* vi. 17.

Now therefore arise, O Lord God, into thy resting-place, thou, and the ark of thy strength; let thy priests, O Lord God, be clothed with salvation, and let thy saints rejoice in goodness. O Lord God, turn not away the face of thine anointed.—2 *Chron.* vi. 41.

There be many that say, Who will shew us any good; Lord, lift thou up the light of thy countenance upon us.—*Ps.* iv. 6.

When thou saidst, Seek ye my face; my heart said unto thee, Thy face, Lord, will I seek. Hide not thy face far from me; put not thy servant away in anger; thou hast been my help, leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.—*Ps.* xxvii. 8, 9.

Make thy face to shine upon thy servant; save me for thy mercies' sake.—*Ps.* xxxi. 16.

Quicken us, and we will call upon thy name; turn us again, O Lord God of hosts, cause thy

face to shine, and we shall be saved.—*Ps.* lxxx. 18.

O when wilt thou come unto me?—*Ps.* ci. 2.

Let me see thy countenance, let me hear thy voice, for sweet is thy voice, and thy countenance is comely.—*Sol. Song* ii. 14.

Awake, O north wind, and come, thou south; blow upon my garden, that the spices thereof may flow out.—*Sol. Song* iv. 16.

Set me as a seal upon thine heart, as a seal upon thine arm.—*Sol. Song* viii. 6.

Lord, if it be thou, bid me come unto thee.—*Matt.* xiv. 28.

FOR TEACHING.

Wherefore dealest thou thus with thy servant?—*Exodus* v. 15.

O my Lord, let the man of God which thou didst send come again unto us, and teach us what we shall do unto the child that shall be born.—*Judges* xiii. 18.

The Lord our God be with us, as he was with our fathers; let him not leave us, nor forsake us; that he may incline our hearts unto him, to walk in all his ways, and to keep his commandments, and his statutes and his judgments,

which he commanded our fathers.—1 *Kings* viii. 57.

I pray thee let a double portion of thy spirit be upon me.—2 *Kings* ii. 9.

Teach me, and I will hold my tongue; and cause me to understand wherein I have erred.—*Job* vi. 24.

That which I see not teach thou me.—*Job* xxxiv. 32.

Teach me, O Lord, in thy righteousness, because of mine enemies; make thy way straight before my face.—*Ps.* v. 8.

Lord, who shall abide in thy tabernacle, who shall dwell in thy holy hill?—*Ps.* xv. 1.

Who can understand his errors? Cleanse thou me from secret faults. Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous sins, let them not have dominion over me; then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression. Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, my strength, and my Redeemer.—*Ps.* xix. 12.

Shew me thy ways, O Lord; teach me thy paths, lead me in thy truth and teach me; for thou art the God of my salvation, on thee do I wait all the day. Remember, O Lord, thy ten-

der mercies and thy loving-kindnesses, for they have been ever of old. Remember not the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions; according to thy mercy remember thou me for thy goodness' sake, O Lord.—*Ps.* xxv. 4, &c.

Judge me, O Lord, for I have walked in mine integrity; I have trusted also in the Lord, therefore I shall not slide. Examine me, O Lord, and prove me; try my reins and my heart. For thy loving-kindness is before mine eyes, and I have walked in thy truth.—*Ps.* xxvi. 1.

Teach me thy way, O Lord, and lead me in a plain path, because of mine enemies.—*Ps.* xxvii. 11.

Teach me thy way, O Lord, I will walk in thy truth; unite my heart to fear thy name.—*Ps.* lxxxvi. 11.

Remember me, O Lord, with the favour that thou bearest unto thy people. O visit me with thy salvation, that I may see the good of thy chosen, that I may rejoice in the gladness of thy nation, that I may glory with thine inheritance. —*Ps.* cvi. 4.

Thou hast commanded us to keep thy precepts diligently. O that my ways were directed to keep thy statutes; then shall I not be ashamed when I have respect unto all thy commandments;

I will keep thy statutes, O forsake me not utterly.—*Ps.* cxix. 4, &c.

With my whole heart have I sought thee; O let me not wander from thy commandments; blessed art thou, O Lord, teach me thy statutes, deal bountifully with thy servant, that I may live and keep thy word. Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law. I am a stranger in the earth; hide not thy commandments from me. Teach me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes; give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law; yea, I shall observe it with my whole heart. Incline my heart unto thy testimonies; teach me good judgment and knowledge; give me understanding that I may learn thy commandments.—*Ps.* cxix. 10, 12, 17, 18, 19, 33, 34.

Art thou the Christ? tell us.—*Luke* xxii. 67.

FOR MERCY.

My punishment is greater than I can bear; behold, thou hast driven me out this day from the face of the earth; and from thy face shall I be hid; and I shall be a fugitive and a vagabond in the earth.—*Gen.* iv. 13.

O my Lord, let thy servant, I pray thee,

speak a word in my Lord's ears, and let not thine anger burn against thy servant.—*Gen.* xliv. 18.

Let not the anger of my Lord wax hot.—*Exodus* xxxii. 22.

Think upon me, my God, for good.—*Neh.* v. 19.

Remember me, O my God, concerning this also, and spare me according to the greatness of thy mercy.—*Neh.* xiii. 22.

Hear me when I call, O God of my righteousness; thou hast enlarged me when I was in distress, have mercy upon me, and hear my prayer. —*Ps.* iv. 1.

Give ear to my words, O Lord; consider my meditation, hearken unto the voice of my cry, my king, and my God; for unto thee will I pray, my voice shalt thou hear in the morning, O Lord; in the morning will I direct my prayer unto thee, and will look up, for thou art not a God that hath pleasure in wickedness: neither shall evil dwell with thee, the foolish shall not stand in thy sight; thou hatest all workers of iniquity, thou shalt destroy them that speak leasing, the Lord will abhor the bloody and deceitful man, but as for me, I will come into thy

house in the multitude of thy mercy; and in thy fear will I worship toward thy holy temple.—*Ps.* v. 1—7.

O Lord, rebuke me not in thine anger, neither chasten me in thy hot displeasure: have mercy upon me, O Lord, for I am weak; O Lord, heal me, for my bones are vexed; my soul is also sore vexed, but thou, O Lord, how long? Return, O Lord, deliver my soul. O save me for thy mercies' sake, for in death there is no remembrance of thee; in the grave who shall give thee thanks? I am weary with my groaning all the night, I make my bed to swim; I water my couch with my tears, mine eye is consumed because of grief; it waxeth old because of all mine enemies.—*Ps.* vi. 1—7.

Have mercy upon me, O Lord; consider my trouble which I suffer of them that hate me, thou that liftest me up from the gates of death: that I may shew forth all thy praise in the gates of the daughter of Zion; I will rejoice in thy salvation.—*Ps.* ix. 13, 14.

How long wilt thou forget me, O Lord, for ever? How long wilt thou hide thy face from me? How long shall I take counsel in my soul, having sorrow in my heart daily? How long shall mine enemy be exalted over me? Consider

and hear me; O Lord my God, lighten mine eyes lest I sleep the sleep of death, lest mine enemy say, I have prevailed against him, and those that trouble me rejoice when I am moved. —*Ps.* xii. 1, &c.

Turn thee unto me, and have mercy upon me; for I am desolate and afflicted; the troubles of my heart are enlarged, O bring thou me out of my distresses. Look upon mine affliction and my pain, and forgive all my sins. O keep my soul and deliver me; let me not be ashamed, for I put my trust in thee; let integrity and uprightness preserve me; for I wait on thee.—*Ps.* xxv. 16.

Hear, O Lord, when I cry with my voice; have mercy also upon me, and answer me.—*Ps.* xxvii. 7.

Our soul waiteth for the Lord, he is our help and our shield; let thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us, according as we hope in thee.—*Ps.* xxxiii. 20, &c.

Withhold not thou thy tender mercies from me, O Lord; let thy loving-kindness and thy truth continually preserve me.—*Ps.* xl. 11.

O Lord, be merciful unto me, and raise me up. —*Ps.* xli. 10.

Be merciful unto me, O God; be merciful

unto me; for my soul trusteth in thee; yea, in the shadow of thy wings will I make my refuge, until these calamities be overpast.—*Ps.* lvii. 1.

Save me, O God; for the waters are come in unto my soul. I sink in deep mire, where there is no standing: I am come into deep waters, where the floods overflow me. I am weary of my crying: my throat is dried: mine eyes fail while I wait for my God. O God, thou knowest my foolishness; and my sins are not hid from thee. Let not them that wait on thee, O Lord God of hosts, be ashamed for my sake: let not those that seek thee be confounded for my sake, O God of Israel. Because for thy sake I have borne reproach; shame hath covered my face. But as for me, my prayer is unto thee, O Lord, in an acceptable time: O God, in the multitude of thy mercy hear me, in the truth of thy salvation. Deliver me out of the mire, and let me not sink; let me be delivered from them that hate me, and out of the deep waters. Let not the water-flood overflow me, neither let the deep swallow me up, and let not the pit shut her mouth upon me.—*Ps.* lxix. 1, &c.

Thou holdest mine eyes waking: I am so troubled that I cannot speak. I have considered the days of old, the years of ancient times. I

call to remembrance my song in the night. I commune with mine own heart, and my spirit made diligent search. Will the Lord cast off for ever? and will he be favourable no more? Is his mercy clean gone for ever? Doth his promise fail for evermore? Hath God forgotten to be gracious? hath he in anger shut up his tender mercies?—*Ps.* lxxvii. 4.

Bow down thine ear, O Lord; hear me, for I am poor and needy. Preserve my soul, for I am holy; O thou my God, save thy servant that trusteth in thee. Be merciful unto me, O Lord, for I cry unto thee daily. Rejoice the soul of thy servant: for unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul. For thou, Lord, art good and ready to forgive; and plenteous in mercy unto all them that call upon thee. Give ear, O Lord, unto my prayer; and attend to the voice of my supplications.—*Ps.* lxxxvi. 1, &c.

Hold not thy peace, O God of my praise; do thou for me, O God the Lord, for thy name's sake; because thy mercy is good, deliver thou me: for I am poor and needy, and my heart is wounded within me. Help me, O Lord my God, O save me according to thy mercy, that they may know that this is thy hand; that thou, Lord, hast done it.—*Ps.* cix. 21, &c.

Unto thee do I lift up mine eyes, O thou that dwellest in the heavens; behold as the eyes of servants look unto the hand of their masters, and as the eyes of a maiden unto the hand of her mistress, so our eyes wait upon the Lord our God, until he have mercy upon us. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us; for we are exceedingly filled with contempt, our soul is exceedingly filled with the scorning of those that are at ease, and with the contempt of the proud. —*Ps.* cxxiii. 1, &c.

Tell us, we pray thee, for whose cause this evil is upon us? We beseech thee, O Lord, we beseech thee, let us not perish for this man's life, and lay not upon us innocent blood: for thou, O Lord, hast done as it pleased thee.—*Jonah* i. 1.

O Lord, I have heard thy speech, and was afraid: O Lord, revive thy work in the midst of the years, in the midst of the years make known: in wrath remember mercy.—*Hab.* iii. 2.

Thou Son of David, have mercy on us.—*Matt.* ix. 27.

Have mercy on me, O Lord, thou Son of David; my daughter is grievously vexed with a devil.—*Matt.* xv. 22.

Have mercy on us, O Lord, thou Son of David.—*Matt.* xx. 40.

My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?—*Matt.* xxvii. 46; *Mark* xv. 34.

Jesus, thou Son of David, have mercy on me. —*Mark* x. 47.

Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.—*Luke* xvii. 13.

FOR THE COMING OF CHRIST'S KINGDOM.

Rule thou over us, both thou and thy son.—*Judges* viii. 22.

Come thou, and reign over us.—*Judges* ix. 12.

O let the nations be glad and sing for joy: for thou shalt judge the people righteously, and govern the nations upon earth. Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee. Then shall all the earth yield her increase: and God, even our own God, shall bless us. God shall bless us, and all the ends of the earth shall fear him.—*Ps.* lxvii. 3.

Arise, O God, judge the earth: for thou shalt inherit all nations.—*Ps.* lxxxii. 1.

Thou shalt arise, and have mercy upon Zion: for the time to favour her, yea, the set time, is come. For thy servants take pleasure in her stones, and favour the dust thereof. So the heathen shall fear the name of the Lord, and all the kings of the earth thy glory.—*Ps.* cii. 13.

Bow thy heavens, O Lord, and come down.—*Ps.* cxliv. 5.

Make haste, my beloved, and be thou like to a roe or to a young hart upon the mountains of spices.—*Sol. Song* viii. 14.

Oh that thou wouldst rend the heavens, that thou wouldst come down, that the mountains might flow down at thy presence, as when the melting fire burneth, the fire causeth the waters to boil, to make thy name known to thine adversaries, that the nations may tremble at thy presence.—*Isaiah* lxiv. 1, 2.

Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven.—*Matt.* vi. 10.

Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son.—*John* xvii. 1.

Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus.—*Rev.* xxii. 20.

KING'S PETITIONS.

Wherefore hast thou afflicted thy servant? and wherefore have I not found favour in thy sight, that thou layest the burden of all this people upon me? Have I conceived all this people? have I begotten them, that thou shouldest say unto me, Carry them in thy bosom, as a nursing father beareth the sucking child? Whence should I have flesh to give unto all this people? for they weep unto me, saying, Give us

flesh, that we may eat. I am not able to bear all this people alone, because it is too heavy for me. And if thou deal thus with me, kill me, I pray thee, out of hand, if I have found favour in thy sight; and let me not see my wretchedness. —*Numb.* xi. 11, &c.

O Lord my God, thou hast made thy servant king instead of my father; and I am but a little child. I know not how to go out or come in. And thy servant is in the midst of thy people which thou hast chosen; a great people, that cannot be numbered nor counted for multitude. Give therefore thy servant an understanding heart to judge thy people, that I may discern between good and bad: for who is able to judge this, thy so great a people?—1 *Kings* iii. 7, 8, 9.

Thou hast shewed great mercy unto my father, and hast made me to reign in his stead. Now, O Lord God, let thy promise unto my father be established: for thou hast made me king over a people like the dust of the earth in multitude. Give me now wisdom and knowledge, that I may go out and come in before this people; for who can judge this thy people, that is so great?—2 *Chron.* i. 8, &c.

If I have found favour in thy sight, O king, and if it please the king, let my life be given me

at my petition, and my people at my request.—*Esther* vii. 3.

CAPTIVES' PETITIONS.

Let me go, I pray thee: and now, if I have found favour in thine eyes, let me get away, I pray thee, and see my brethren.—1 *Sam.* xx. 29.

Let thy servant, I pray thee, turn back again, that I may die in mine own city, and be buried by the grave of my father, and of my mother.—2 *Sam.* xix. 37.

Save us, O God of our salvation, and gather us together, and deliver us from the heathen, that we may give thanks to thy holy name, and glory in thy praise.—1 *Chron.* xvi. 35.

Turn again our captivity, as the streams in the south.—*Ps.* cxxvi. 4.

I am shut up; I cannot go into the house of the Lord.—*Jer.* xxxvi. 5.

O my lord the king: let my supplication, I pray thee, be accepted before thee: that thou cause me not to return to the house of ——, lest I die there.—*Jer.* xxxvii. 20.

O Lord God of my salvation, I have cried day and night before thee: let my prayer come before

thee: incline thine ear unto my cry; for my soul is full of troubles: and my life draweth nigh unto the grave. I am counted with them that go down into the pit: I am as a man that hath no strength: thou hast laid me in the lowest pit, in darkness, in the deeps. Thy wrath lieth hard upon me, and thou hast afflicted me with all thy waves. Thou hast put away mine acquaintance far from me; thou hast made me an abomination unto them: I am shut up, I cannot come forth. Mine eye mourneth by reason of affliction: Lord, I have called daily unto thee, I have stretched out my hands unto thee. Wilt thou shew wonders to the dead? shall the dead arise and praise thee? Shall thy loving-kindness be declared in the grave? or thy faithfulness in destruction? Shall thy wonders be known in the dark? and thy righteousness in the land of forgetfulness? But unto thee have I cried, O Lord; and in the morning shall my prayer prevent thee. Lord, why castest thou off my soul? why hidest thou thy face from me? I am afflicted and ready to die from my youth up: while I suffer thy terrors I am distracted. Thy fierce wrath goeth over me; thy terrors have cut me off.—*Ps.* lxxxviii. 1, &c.

MINISTER'S PETITIONS.—FOR ELOQUENCE.

O my Lord, I am not eloquent, neither heretofore, nor since thou hast spoken unto thy servant: but I am slow of speech, and of a slow tongue. O my Lord, send, I pray thee, by the hand of him whom thou wilt send.—*Ex.* iv. 10, &c.

AT OPENING A PLACE OF WORSHIP.

Lord God of Israel, there is no God like thee, in heaven above, or on earth beneath, who keepest covenant and mercy with thy servants that walk before thee with all their heart. But will God indeed dwell on the earth? behold, the heaven and heaven of heavens cannot contain thee: how much less this house that I have builded? Yet have thou respect unto the prayer of thy servant, and to his supplication, O Lord my God, to hearken unto the cry and to the prayer, which thy servant prayeth before thee to-day: that thine eyes may be open toward this house night and day: that thou mayest hearken unto the prayer which thy servant shall make in this place. And hearken thou to the supplication of thy servant, and of thy people Israel, when they shall pray in this place: and hear

thou in heaven thy dwelling-place: and when thou hearest, forgive.—1 *Kings* viii. 23—30.

Let my mouth be filled with thy praise and with thy honour all the day. Cast me not off in the time of old age; forsake me not when my strength faileth. O God, be not far from me; O my God, make haste for my help. O God, thou hast taught me from my youth; and hitherto have I declared thy wondrous works. Now also when I am old and greyheaded, O God, forsake me not, until I have showed thy strength unto this generation, and thy power to every one that is to come.—*Ps.* lxxi. 8, &c.

Thou, Lord, which knowest the hearts of all men, show whether of these two thou hast chosen, that he may take part of this ministry.—*Acts* i. 24.

Lord, thou art God, which hast made heaven and earth, and the sea, and all that in them is. Who by the mouth of thy servant David hast said, Why did the heathen rage, and the people imagine vain things? The kings of the earth stood up, and the rulers were gathered together against the Lord and against his Christ. For, of a truth, against thy holy child, Jesus, whom thou hast anointed, both Herod and Pontius

Pilate, with the Gentiles, and the people of Israel were gathered together for to do whatsoever thy hand and thy counsel determined before to be done. And now, Lord, behold their threatenings: and grant unto thy servants that with all boldness they may speak thy word, by stretching forth thine hand to heal; and that signs and wonders may be done by the name of thy holy child Jesus.—*Acts* iv. 24, &c.

A GENERAL'S PETITIONS FOR SUCCESS IN BATTLE.

Come now, therefore, I pray thee, curse me this people: for they are too mighty for me; peradventure I shall prevail that we may smite them, and that I may drive them out of the land.—*Numb.* xxii. 6.

Come up unto me, and help me, that we may smite——. Slack not thy hand from thy servants; come up to us quickly, and save us, and help us. —*Josh.* x. 4.

O my Lord, if the Lord be with us, why then is all this befallen us? and where be all his miracles which our fathers told us of, saying, Did not the Lord bring us up from Egypt? But now the Lord hath forsaken us, and delivered us into the hands of the Midianites. O my Lord, wherewith shall I save Israel? Behold, my

family is poor in Manasseh, and I am the least in my father's house.—*Judges* vi. 13, &c.

Is not this the people that thou hast despised? Go out, I pray now, and fight with them.—*Judges* ix. 38.

O Lord God, remember me, I pray thee, and strengthen me, I pray thee, only this once, O God, that I may be at once avenged of the Philistines.—*Judges* xvi. 28.

Shall I go up against the ——, and wilt thou deliver them into mine hand?—1 *Chron.* xiv. 10.

O Lord, it is nothing with thee to help, whether with many, or with them that have no power: help us, O Lord our God; for we rest on thee, and in thy name we go against this multitude. O Lord, thou art our God; let not man prevail against thee.—2 *Chron.* xiv. 11.

O Lord God of our fathers, art not thou God in heaven? and rulest not thou over all the kingdoms of the heathen? And in thine hand is there not power and might, so that none is able to withstand thee? Art not thou our God? If when evil cometh upon us, as the sword, judgment, or pestilence, or famine, we stand in thy presence, and cry unto thee in our affliction, then thou wilt hear and help. And now, behold, the children of —— come to cast us out of thy pos-

session which thou hast given us to inherit. O our God, wilt thou not judge them? For we have no might against this great company that cometh against us; neither know we what to do: but our eyes are upon thee.—2 *Chron.* xx. 6, &c.

Thou art my God; hear the voice of my supplications, O Lord. O God the Lord, the strength of my salvation, thou hast covered my head in the day of battle. Grant not, O Lord, the desires of the wicked; further not his wicked device; lest they exalt themselves.—*Ps.* cxl. 6.

Awake, awake, put on strength, O arm of the Lord; awake as in the ancient days, in the generations of old. Art thou not it that hath cut Rahab, and wounded the dragon? Art thou not it which hath dried the sea, the waters of the great deep; that hath made the depths of the sea a way for the ransomed to pass over?—*Isa.* li. 9.

Behold, O Lord, consider to whom thou hast done this. Shall the priest and the prophet be slain in the sanctuary of the Lord?—*Lam.* ii. 20.

Avenge me of mine adversary.—*Luke* xviii. 3.

SUBMISSION.

Be it according to thy word.—*Exod.* viii. 10.

What saith my Lord unto his servant?—*Josh.* v. 14.

Now, behold, we are in thine hand; as it seemeth good and right unto thee to do unto us, do.—*Josh.* ix. 25.

My Father, do to me according to that which hath proceeded out of thy mouth.—*Judges* xi. 36.

Do what seemeth thee good: only the Lord establish his word.—1 *Sam.* i. 23.

Speak; for thy servant heareth. It is the Lord: let him do what seemeth him good.—1 *Sam.* iii. 10.

Now, O Lord God, the word that thou hast spoken concerning thy servant, establish it for ever, and do as thou hast said; and let thy name be magnified for ever, saying, the Lord of hosts is the God over Israel.—2 *Sam.* vii. 25.

The Lord do that which seemeth him good.—2 *Sam.* 10, 12.

Behold, here am I; let him do to me as seemeth good unto him.—2 *Sam.* xxv. 26.

We are thy servants, and will do all that thou

shalt bid us : do thou that which is good in thine eyes.—2 *Kings* x. 5.

Let the Lord do that which is good in his sight.—1 *Chron.* xix. 13.

O my Father, if this cup may not pass away from me except I drink it, thy will be done.—*Matt.* xxvi. 42.

Behold the handmaid of the Lord : be it unto me according to thy word.—*Luke* i. 38.

Now is my soul troubled ; and what shall I say ? Father, save me from this hour ? But for this cause came I unto this hour. Father, glorify thy name.—*John* xii. 27.

The will of the Lord be done.—*Acts* ii. 14.

A SINNER IN DESPAIR.

What have I to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of the most high God ? I adjure thee, by God, that thou torment me not.—*Mark* v. 7.

What have I to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of God most high ? I beseech thee, torment me not.—*Luke* viii. 28.

SCRIPTURE INTERCESSIONS.

Pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. —*James* v. 16.

SCRIPTURE INTERCESSIONS.

FOR THE CHURCH.

THAT be far from thee to do after this manner, to slay the righteous with the wicked, and that the righteous should be as the wicked, that be far from thee. Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right? Behold, now I have taken upon me to speak unto the Lord, which am but dust and ashes. O let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak yet but this once.—*Gen.* xviii. 25, 27, 32.

Lord, wilt thou slay also a righteous nation? —*Gen.* xx. 4.

Thou shalt bring them in, and plant them in the mountain of thine inheritance; in the place, O Lord, which thou hast made for thee to dwell in; in the sanctuary, O Lord, which thy hands have established.—*Exod.* xv. 17.

Lord, why doth thy wrath wax hot against thy people, which thou hast brought forth out of the land of Egypt, with great power, and with a mighty hand? Wherefore should the Egyptians speak and say, For mischief did he bring them out, to slay them in the mountains, and to consume

them from the face of the earth. Turn from thy fierce wrath, and repent of this evil against thy people.—*Exod.* xxxii. 11, 12.

Look down from thy holy habitation, from heaven, and bless thy people Israel, and the land which thou hast given us; a land that floweth with milk and honey.—*Deut.* xxvi. 15.

Let —— live, and not die, and let not his men be few.—*Deut.* xxxiii. 6.

Hear, Lord, the voice of ——, and bring him unto his people: let his hands be sufficient for him; and be thou an help to him from his enemies.—*Deut.* xxxiii. 7.

Let all thine enemies perish, O Lord: but let them that love him be as the sun when he goeth forth in his might.—*Judges* v. 31.

The Lord make his people an hundred times so many more as they be.—1 *Chron.* xxi. 3.

Let all those that put their trust in thee rejoice: let them ever shout for joy, because thou defendest them: let them also that love thy name be joyful in thee. For thou, Lord, wilt bless the righteous; with favour wilt thou compass him as with a shield.—*Ps.* v. 11, 12.

Thou shalt keep them, O Lord; thou shalt preserve them from this generation for ever.—*Ps.* xii. 7.

Redeem Israel, O God, out of all his troubles. —*Ps.* xxv. 22.

Save thy people, and bless thine inheritance: feed them also, and lift them up for ever.—*Ps.* xxviii. 9.

Let all those that seek thee be joyful and glad in thee: let such as love thy salvation say continually, The Lord be magnified.—*Ps.* xl. 16.

Do good in thy good pleasure unto Zion: build thou the walls of Jerusalem.—*Ps.* li. 11.

Let the righteous be glad; let them rejoice before God: yea, let them exceedingly rejoice.—*Ps.* lxviii. 3.

Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens: and thy glory above all the earth. That thy beloved may be delivered: save with thy right hand, and answer me.—*Ps.* cviii. 5, 6.

Do good, O Lord, unto them that be good, and to them that are upright in their hearts.—*Ps.* cxxv. 4.

Look upon Zion, the city of our solemnities.—*Isa.* xxxiii. 20.

O Lord, save thy people, the remnant of Israel.—*Jer.* xxxi. 7.

The Lord bless thee, O habitation of justice, and mountain of holiness.—*Jer.* xxxi. 23.

Spare thy people, O Lord, and give not thine heritage to reproach, that the heathen should rule over them: wherefore should they say among the people, Where is their God?—*Joel* ii. 17.

O Lord of hosts, how long wilt thou not have mercy on Jerusalem, and on the cities of Judah, against which thou hast had indignation?—*Zech.* i. 12.

O Lord God of Israel, which dwellest between the Cherubims, thou art the God, even thou alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth. Lord, bow down thine ear, and hear: open, Lord, thine eyes —— and see, and hear the words of —— which reproach the living God. Now, therefore, O Lord our God, I beseech thee, save thou us out of his hand, that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that thou art the Lord God, even thou only.—2 *Kings* xix. 15.

O God, thou hast cast us off, thou hast scattered us, thou hast been displeased: O turn thyself to us again. Thou hast made the earth to tremble, thou hast broken it; heal the breaches thereof, for it shaketh: thou hast shewed thy people hard things; thou hast made us to drink the wine of astonishment. Thou hast given a banner to them that feared thee, that it may be

displayed because of the truth. That thy beloved may be delivered, save with thy right hand, and hear me.—*Ps.* lx. 1—5.

INTERCESSIONS FOR THE CHURCH UNDER PERSECUTION.

Hearken thou to the supplication of thy servant, and of thy people Israel, when they shall pray: and hear thou in heaven, thy dwelling-place; and when thou hearest, forgive.

When thy people Israel be smitten down before the enemy, because they have sinned against thee; and shall turn again to thee and confess thy name, and pray, and make supplication unto thee, then hear thou in heaven, and forgive the sins of thy people Israel.—1 *Kings* viii. 30.

O God, why hast thou cast us off for ever? Why doth thine anger burn against the sheep of thy pasture? Remember thy congregation, which thou hast purchased of old; the rod of thine inheritance, which thou hast redeemed; this Mount Zion, wherein thou hast dwelt. Thine enemies roar in the midst of thy congregations; they set up their ensigns for signs. O God, how long shall the adversary reproach? shall the enemy blaspheme thy name for ever? Why

withdrawest thou thy hand, even thy right hand? Pluck it out of thy bosom, for God is my King of old, working salvation in the midst of the earth. Remember this, that the enemy hath reproached, O Lord, that the foolish people have blasphemed thy name. O deliver not the soul of thy turtle-dove unto the multitude of the wicked: forget not the congregation of thy poor for ever. Have respect unto the covenant: for the dark places of the earth are full of the habitations of cruelty. O let not the oppressed return ashamed: let the poor and needy praise thy name. Arise, O God, plead thine own cause; remember how the foolish man reproacheth thee daily. Forget not the voice of thine enemies: the tumult of those that rise up against thee increaseth continually.—*Ps.* lxxiv. 1—23.

O God, the heathen are come into thine inheritance, thy holy temple have they defiled; they have laid Jerusalem on heaps. The dead bodies of thy servants have they given to be meat unto the fowls of the heaven, the flesh of thy saints unto the beasts of the earth. We have become a reproach to our neighbours, a scorn and derision to them that are round about us. How long, Lord? wilt thou be angry for ever? shall thy jealousy burn like fire? Pour out thy wrath

upon the heathen that have not known thee, and upon the kingdoms that have not called upon thy name, for they have devoured Jacob, and laid waste his dwelling-place.—*Ps.* lxxix. 1—7.

Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a flock; thou that dwellest between the cherubims, shine forth: stir up thy strength, and come and save us. Turn us again, O God, and cause thy face to shine, and we shall be saved. O Lord God of hosts, how long wilt thou be angry against the prayer of thy people. Thou feedest them with the bread of tears, and givest them tears to drink in great measure: thou makest us a strife unto our neighbours, and our enemies laugh among themselves. Turn us again, O God of hosts, and cause thy face to shine, and we shall be saved. Thou hast brought a vine out of Egypt; thou hast cast out the heathen and planted it. Thou preparedst room before it, and didst cause it to take deep root, and it filled the land. The hills were covered with the shadow of it, and the boughs thereof were like the goodly cedars. She sent out her boughs unto the sea, and her branches unto the river. Why hast thou then broken down her hedges, so that all they which pass by the way do pluck her? The boar out of the woods doth

waste it, and the wild beast of the field doth devour it. Return, we beseech thee, O God of hosts, look down from heaven, and behold and visit this vine, and the vineyard which thy right hand hath planted, and the branch that thou madest strong for thyself. It is burned with fire, it is cut down; they perish at the rebuke of thy countenance. Let thy hand be upon the man of thy right hand, upon the son of man whom thou madest strong for thyself: so will not we go back from thee.—*Ps.* lxxx. 1—18.

Hast thou utterly rejected Judah? Hast thy soul lothed Zion? Why hast thou smitten us, and there is no healing for us? We looked for peace, and there is no good: and for the time of healing, and behold trouble!—*Jer.* xiv. 19.

Ah Lord God! wilt thou destroy all the residue of Israel in thy pouring out of thy fury upon Jerusalem?—*Ezek.* ix. 8.

O Lord, according to all thy righteousness, I beseech thee, let thine anger and thy fury be turned away from thy city Jerusalem, thy holy mountain, because for our sins, and for the iniquities of our fathers, Jerusalem and thy people are become a reproach to all that are about us. Now, therefore, O our God, hear the prayer of thy servant, and his supplications, and cause thy

face to shine upon thy sanctuary that is desolate, for the Lord's sake. O my God, incline thine ear, and hear; open thine eyes, and behold our desolations, and the city which is called by thy name; for we do not present our supplications before thee for our righteousnesses, but for thy great mercies. O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive; O Lord, hearken and do; defer not, for thine own sake, O my God: for thy city and thy people are called by thy name.—*Dan.* ix. 16—19.

FOR THE RESTORATION OF THE JEWS.

Bring them again unto the land which thou gavest unto their fathers.—1 *Kings* viii. 34.

O Lord God of Israel, why is this come to pass in Israel, that there should be to-day one tribe lacking in Israel?—*Judges* xxi. 3.

O Lord of hosts, how long wilt thou not have mercy on Jerusalem, and on the cities of Judah, against which thou hast had indignation these —— years.—*Zech.* i. 12.

SCRIPTURE INTERCESSIONS FOR THE NATION.

Let not the anger of my Lord wax hot; thou knowest the people, that they are set on mischief. —*Exod.* xxxii. 22.

Oh! this people have sinned a great sin, and

have made them gods of gold. Yet now, if thou wilt, forgive their sin; and if not, blot me, I pray thee, out of thy book, which thou hast written.—*Exod.* xxxii. 31, 32.

Blessed of the Lord be his land, for the precious things of heaven, for the dew, and for the deep that coucheth beneath, and for the precious fruits brought forth by the sun, and for the precious things put forth by the moon, and for the chief things of the ancient mountains, and for the precious things of the lasting hills, and for the precious things of the earth and fulness thereof, and for the good will of him that dwelt in the bush.—*Deut.* xxxiii. 13—16.

So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom. Return, O Lord, how long? and let it repent thee concerning thy servants. O satisfy us early with thy mercy, that we may be glad and rejoice all our days. Make us glad according to the days wherein thou hast afflicted us, and the years wherein we have seen evil. Let thy work appear unto thy servants, and thy glory unto their children. And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us; and establish thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands establish thou it. —*Ps.* xc. 12, to the end.

Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.—*Luke* xxiii. 34.

A MASTER FOR A SERVANT.

Lord, trouble not thyself: for I am not worthy that thou shouldest enter under my roof: wherefore neither thought I myself worthy to come unto thee: but say in a word, and my servant shall be healed.—*Luke* vii. 6.

A SERVANT FOR A MASTER.

O Lord God of my master, I pray thee send me good speed this day, and shew kindness unto my master.—*Gen.* xxiv. 12.

MINISTER FOR HIS CONGREGATION.

I pray thee, if I have found grace in thy sight, shew me now thy way, that I may know thee, that I may find grace in thy sight; and consider that this is thy people. If thy presence go not with me, carry us not up hence. For wherein shall it be known here that I and thy people have found grace in thy sight? is it not in that thou goest with us? so shall we be separated, I and thy people, from all the people that are upon the face of the earth.—*Exod.* xxxiii. 13, 15, 16.

If now I have found grace in thy sight, O

Lord, let my Lord, I pray thee, go among us: for it is a stiffnecked people; and pardon our iniquity and our sin, and take us for thine inheritance.—*Exod.* xxxiv. 9.

Now, I beseech thee, let the power of my Lord be great, according as thou hast spoken, saying, The Lord is long-suffering, and of great mercy, forgiving iniquity and transgression, and by no means clearing the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation. Pardon, I beseech thee, the iniquity of this people, according unto the greatness of thy mercy, and as thou hast forgiven the iniquity of this people, from Egypt even until now.—*Numb.* xiv. 17, 18, 19.

O God, the God of the spirits of all flesh, shall one man sin, and wilt thou be wroth with all the congregation?—*Numb.* xvi. 22.

The Lord God of your fathers make you a thousand times so many more as ye are, and bless you, as he hath promised you.—*Deut.* i. 11.

O Lord God, destroy not thy people and thine inheritance, which thou hast redeemed through thy greatness, which thou hast brought forth out of Egypt with a mighty hand. Remember thy servants, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; look not upon the stubbornness of this people, nor to their

wickedness, nor to their sin: lest the land whence thou broughtest us out say, Because the Lord was not able to bring them into the land which he promised them, and because he hated them, he hath brought them out to slay them in the wilderness. Yet they are thy people and thine inheritance, which thou broughtest out by thy mighty power and stretched out arm.—*Deut.* ix. 26—29.

Be merciful, O Lord, unto thy people Israel, whom thou hast redeemed, and lay not innocent blood unto thy people of Israel's charge.—*Deut.* xxi. 8.

Let these my words, wherewith I have made supplication before the Lord, be nigh unto the Lord our God day and night, that he maintain the cause of his servant, and the cause of his people Israel at all times, as the matter shall require: that all the people of the earth may know that the Lord is God, and that there is none else.—1 *Kings* viii. 59.

O Lord God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, our fathers, keep this for ever in the imaginations of the thoughts of the hearts of thy people, and prepare their hearts unto thee.—1 *Chron.* xxix. 18.

The good Lord pardon every one that prepareth

his heart to seek God, the Lord God of his fathers, though he be not cleansed according to the purification of the sanctuary.—2 *Chron.* xxx. 18, 19.

These are thy servants, and thy people, whom thou hast redeemed by thy great power, and by thy strong hand. O Lord, I beseech thee, let now thine ear be attentive to the prayer of thy servant, and to the prayer of thy servants, who desire to fear thy name: and prosper, I pray thee, thy servant this day, and grant him mercy.—*Neh.* i. 10, 11.

CONGREGATION FOR THEIR MINISTER.

Let the Lord, the God of the spirits of all flesh, set a man over the congregation, which may go out before them, and which may go in before them, and which may lead them out, and which may bring them in; that the congregation of the Lord be not as sheep which have no shepherd.—*Numb.* xxvii. 16.

Let thy Thummim and thy Urim be with thy holy one: let them teach Jacob thy judgments and Israel thy law; let them put incense before thee, and whole burnt sacrifice upon thine altar. —*Deut.* xxxiii. 8, 10.

Blessed be he that cometh in the name of the Lord.—*Ps.* cxviii. 26.

Arise, O Lord, into thy rest; thou, and the ark of thy strength. Let thy priests be clothed with righteousness; and let thy saints shout for joy; turn not away the face of thine anointed.—*Ps.* cxxxii. 8, 9, 10.

A KING'S INTERCESSION FOR HIS PEOPLE.

Even I it is that have sinned and done evil indeed; but as for these sheep, what have they done? let thine hand, I pray thee, O Lord my God, be on me, and on my father's house; but not on thy people, that they should be plagued.—1 *Chron.* xxi. 17.

If thy people go out to battle against their enemy, whithersoever thou shalt send them, and shall pray unto the Lord: then hear thou in heaven their prayer and their supplication, and maintain their cause. If they sin against thee (for there is no man that sinneth not), and thou be angry with them, and deliver them to the enemy, so that they carry them away captives unto the land of the enemy far or near; yet if they shall bethink themselves in the land whither they were carried captives, and repent, and make supplication unto thee in the land of them that carried them captives, saying, We have sinned, and have done perversely, we have committed

wickedness: and so return unto thee with all their heart, and with all their soul, in the land of their enemies, which led them away captive, and pray unto thee: then hear thou their prayer and their supplication in heaven thy dwelling-place, and maintain their cause, and forgive thy people that have sinned against thee, and all their transgressions wherein they have transgressed against thee, and give them compassion before them who carried them captive, that they may have compassion on them: for they be thy people and thine inheritance, which thou broughtest forth out of Egypt, from the midst of the furnace of iron: that thine eyes may be open unto the supplication of thy people Israel, to hearken unto them in all that they call for unto thee. For thou didst separate them from among all the people of the earth, to be thine inheritance, O Lord our God.—1 *Kings* viii. 44, &c.

Hearken unto the supplications of thy servant, and of thy people Israel; hear thou from thy dwelling-place, even from heaven; and when thou hearest, forgive. If a man sin against his neighbour, then hear thou from heaven, and do, and judge thy servants, by requiting the wicked, by recompensing his way upon his own head; and by justifying the righteous, by giving him

according to his righteousness. If thy people Israel be put to the worse before the enemy, because they have sinned against thee; and shall return and confess thy name, and pray and make supplication before thee; then hear thou from the heavens, and forgive the sin of thy people Israel, and bring them again unto the land which thou gavest to them and to their fathers. When the heaven is shut up, and there is no rain, because they have sinned against thee; yet if they pray, and confess thy name, and turn from their sin when thou dost afflict them; then hear thou from heaven, and forgive the sin of thy servants, and of thy people Israel, when thou hast taught them the good way, wherein they should walk: and send rain upon thy land, which thou hast given unto thy people for an inheritance. If there be dearth in the land, if there be pestilence, if there be blasting or mildew, locusts or caterpillars; if their enemies besiege them in the cities of their land; whatsoever sore or whatsoever sickness there be: then what prayer or what supplication soever shall be made of any man, or of all thy people Israel, when every one shall know his own sore, and his own grief: then hear thou from heaven thy dwelling-place, and forgive, and render unto every man according unto all his ways,

whose heart thou knowest (for thou only knowest the hearts of the children of men): that they may fear thee, to walk in thy ways, so long as they live in the land which thou gavest unto our fathers. Moreover concerning the stranger, which is not of thy people Israel, but is come from a far country, for thy great name's sake, and thy mighty hand, and thy stretched out arm; if they come and pray, then hear thou from the heavens, even from thy dwelling-place, and do according to all that the stranger calleth to thee for; that all people of the earth may know thy name, and fear thee, as doth thy people Israel.

If thy people go out to war against their enemies by the way that thou shalt send them, and then pray unto thee, then hear thou from the heavens their prayer and their supplication, and maintain their cause. If they sin against thee, (for there is no man which sinneth not,) and thou be angry with them, and thou deliver them over before their enemies, and they carry them away captives unto a land far off or near, yet if they bethink themselves in the land whither they are carried captive, and turn and pray unto thee in the land of their captivity, saying, We have sinned, we have done amiss, and have dealt wickedly; if they return to thee with all their

heart and with all their soul in the land of their captivity, whither they have carried them captives, and pray: then hear thou from the heavens, even from thy dwelling-place, their prayer and their supplications, and maintain their cause, and forgive thy people which have sinned against thee.—2 *Chron.* vi. 21.

A PEOPLE'S FOR THEIR KING.

God save the king.—2 *Kings* xi. 12.

Let the king live for ever.—*Neh.* ii. 3.

Thou wilt prolong the king's life, and his years as many generations. He shall abide before God for ever; O prepare mercy and truth which may preserve him.—*Ps.* lxi. 6.

Give the king thy judgments, and thy righteousness unto the king's son.—*Ps.* lxxii. 1.

A LEADER'S FOR HIS ARMY.

Alas, O Lord God, wherefore hast thou brought this people over Jordan, to deliver us into the hand of the —— to destroy us? Would to God we had been content, and dwelt on the other side Jordan! O Lord, what shall I say, when Israel turneth their backs before their enemies! For all the inhabitants of the land shall hear of it, and shall environ us round, and

cut off our name from the earth, and what wilt thou do unto thy great name?—*Joshua* vii. 7.

Give, I pray you, loaves of bread unto the people that follow me, for they be faint.—*Judges* viii. 5.

FOR THE HEATHEN.

Arise, O Lord, let not man prevail, let the heathen be judged in thy sight. Put them in fear, O Lord; that the nations may know themselves to be but men.—*Ps.* ix. 19, 20.

Thou therefore, O Lord God of hosts, the God of Israel, awake to visit all the heathen.—*Ps.* lix. 5.

God be merciful unto us, and bless us, and cause his face to shine upon us. That thy way may be known upon earth, thy saving health among all nations. Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee. O let the nations be glad, and sing for joy.—*Ps.* lxvii. 1.

FOR STRANGERS.

Moreover concerning a stranger that is not of thy people Israel, but cometh out of a far country, for thy name's sake, (for they shall hear of thy great name, and of thy strong hand, and of thy stretched out arm) when he shall come and pray, hear thou in heaven thy dwelling-

place, and do according to all that the stranger calleth to thee for; that all people of the earth may know thy name, to fear thee, as do thy people Israel.—1 *Kings* viii. 41—43.

FOR PRISONERS.

Let the sighing of the prisoner come before thee; according to the greatness of thy power preserve thou those that are appointed to die.—*Ps.* lxxix. 11.

FOR A FAMILY.

Now, therefore, I pray thee, show kindness unto my father's house, and give me a true token; and save alive my father and my mother, and my brethren, and my sisters, and all that they have, and deliver our lives from death.—*Joshua* ii. 12.

I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil. Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.—*John* xvii. 15.

FOR CHILDREN.—FOR A MARRIED CHILD.

God Almighty bless thee, and make thee fruitful, and multiply thee, that thou mayest be a

multitude of people, and give thee the blessing of Abraham, to thee, and to thy seed with thee. —*Gen.* xxviii. 3.

FOR A SON ON HIS MARRIAGE.

The Lord make the woman that is come into thine house, like Rachel, and like Leah, which two did build the house of Israel; and do thou worthily, and be famous, and let thy house be like the house of Pharez, whom Tamar bare unto Judah, of the seed which the Lord shall give thee of this young woman.—*Ruth* iv. 11.

FOR A SON IN THE MINISTRY.

Now, my son, the Lord be with thee; and prosper thou, and build the house of the Lord thy God, only the Lord give thee wisdom and understanding, and give thee charge concerning Israel, that thou mayest keep the law of the Lord thy God. Then shalt thou prosper, if thou takest heed to fulfil the statutes and judgments which the Lord charged Moses with concerning Israel: be strong, and of good courage, dread not nor be dismayed: arise therefore, and be doing, and the Lord be with thee.—1 *Chron.* xxii. 11, &c.

FOR SONS.

God, before whom my fathers Abraham and Isaac did walk, the God which fed me all my life long unto this day, the angel which redeemed me from all evil, bless the lads; and let them grow into a multitude in the midst of the earth. —*Gen.* xlviii. 15.

Blessed be thou of the Lord, my son.—*Judges* xvii. 2.

Lord, have mercy on my son; for he is lunatic and sore vexed.—*Matt.* xvii. 15.

Master, I have brought unto thee my son; if thou canst do anything, have compassion on us, and help us.—*Mark* ix. 17—22.

Master, I beseech thee, look upon my son, for he is mine only child.—*Luke* ix. 38.

FOR DAUGHTERS.

The Lord grant you that ye may find rest, each of you in the house of her husband.—*Ruth* i. 9.

Blessed be thou of the Lord, my daughter for thou hast showed more kindness in the latter end than at the beginning.—*Ruth* iii. 10.

My daughter is even now dead, but come and lay thy hand upon her, and she shall live.—*Matt.* ix. 18.

My little daughter lieth at the point of death: I pray thee, come and lay thy hands on her, that she may be healed; and she shall live.—*Mark* v. 23.

SCRIPTURE INTERCESSIONS FOR FRIENDS FOR SPIRITUAL BLESSINGS.

The Lord bless thee, and keep thee: the Lord make his face to shine upon thee: the Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.—*Numb.* vi. 24—26.

The Lord be between thee and me for ever.—1 *Sam.* xx. 23.

Peace be both to thee, and peace be to thine house, and peace be to all that thou hast. Blessed be ye of the Lord, that ye have shewed this kindness: and now the Lord show kindness and truth unto you.—2 *Sam.* ii. 5.

The Lord thy God accept thee.—2 *Sam.* xxiv. 23.

Peace, peace be unto thee, and peace be to thine helpers, for thy God helpeth thee.—1 *Chron.* xii. 18.

The Lord hear thee in the day of trouble; the name of the God of Jacob defend thee. Send thee help from the sanctuary, and strengthen thee out of Zion. Remember all thy offerings, and accept

thy burnt sacrifice. Grant thee according to thine own heart, and fulfil all thy petitions.—*Ps.* xx. 1—5.

Peace be within thy walls, and prosperity within thy palaces. Peace be within thee.—*Ps.* cxxii. 7, 8.

Now the God of patience and consolation grant you to be like-minded one toward another, according to Christ Jesus: that ye may with one mouth glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.—*Rom.* xv. 5, 6.

Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost.—*Rom.* xv. 13.

Now the God of peace be with you all.—*Rom.* xv. 33.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.—*Rom.* xvi. 20 and 24.

Grace be unto you, and peace from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.—1 *Cor.* i. 3.

Now I pray to God that you do no evil, not that we should appear approved, but that ye should do that which is honest, though we be as reprobates.—2 *Cor.* xiii. 7.

FOR FRIENDS, FOR TEMPORAL BLESSINGS.

Blessed be —— of the most high God, possessor of heaven and earth.—*Gen.* xiv. 19.

God give thee of the dew of heaven, and of the fatness of the earth, and plenty of corn and wine.—*Gen.* xxvii. 28.

God make thee as Ephraim, and as Manasseh. —*Gen.* xlviii. 20.

The God of thy father shall help thee, and the Almighty shall bless thee with blessings of heaven above, blessings of the deep that lieth under, blessings of the breasts, and of the womb. —*Gen.* xlix. 25.

Let —— be blessed with children : let him be acceptable to his brethren, and let him dip his foot in oil.—*Deut.* xxxiii. 24.

The Lord deal kindly with you, as ye have dealt with the dead, and with me.—*Ruth* i. 8.

The Lord recompense thy work, and a full reward be given thee of the Lord God of Israel, under whose wings thou art come to trust.—*Ruth* ii. 12.

Blessed be he of the Lord, who hath not left off his kindness to the living and to the dead.—*Ruth* ii. 20.

The Lord give thee seed of this woman for the loan which is lent to the Lord.—1 *Sam.* ii. 20.

Blessed be ye of the Lord, for ye have compassion on me.—1 *Sam.* xxiii. 21.

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, which sent thee this day to meet me: and blessed be thy advice, and blessed be thou which hast kept me this day from coming to shed blood, and from avenging myself with mine own hand.—1 *Sam.* xxv. 32.

Restore, I pray thee, to them, even this day, their lands, their vineyards, their oliveyards, and their houses.—*Neh.* v. 11.

FOR AN ABSENT FRIEND.

Let the blessing come upon the head of ——, and upon the top of the head of him that was separate from his brethren.

FOR A DEPARTING FRIEND.

Go in peace, and the God of Israel grant thee thy petition that thou hast asked of him.—1 *Sam.* i. 17.

Go in peace, forasmuch as we have sworn both of us in the name of the Lord, saying, The Lord be between me and thee, and between my seed and thy seed for ever.—1 *Sam.* xx. 42.

SCRIPTURE INTERCESSIONS FOR FRIENDS, FOR THEIR CONVERSION.

O that —— might live before thee.—*Gen.* xvii. 18.

Lord, I pray thee, open his eyes that he may see.—2 *Kings* vi. 17.

Lord, open the eyes of these men that they may see.—2 *Kings* vi. 20.

FOR THEIR RECOVERY FROM SICKNESS.

Heal her now, O God, I beseech thee.—*Numb.* xii. 13.

O Lord my God, hast thou also brought evil upon this widow with whom I sojourn, by slaying her son? O Lord my God, I pray thee, let this child's soul come into him again.—1 *Kings* xvii. 20, 21.

Lord, behold, he whom thou lovest is sick.—*John* xi. 3.

THANKSGIVINGS.

Whoso offereth praise glorifieth me.—*Ps.* l. 23.

THANKSGIVINGS.

FOR ANSWER TO PRAYER.

To-day thy servant knoweth that I have found grace in thy sight, my lord, O king, in that the king hath fulfilled the request of his servant.—2 *Sam.* xiv. 22.

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, who hath with his hands fulfilled that which he spake with his mouth to my father.—2 *Chron.* vi. 4.

Blessed be the Lord, because he hath heard the voice of my supplications. The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in him, and I am helped: therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth, and with my song will I praise him.—*Ps.* xxviii. 6.

I will extol thee, O Lord; for thou hast lifted me up, and hast not made my foes to rejoice over me. O Lord my God, I cried unto thee, and thou hast healed me. O Lord, thou hast brought up my soul from the grave: thou hast kept me alive, that I should not go down to the pit. And in my prosperity I said, I shall never be moved. Lord, by thy favour thou hast made

my mountain to stand strong: thou didst hide thy face, and I was troubled. I cried unto thee, O Lord; and unto the Lord I made supplication. What profit is there in my blood, when I go down to the pit? Shall the dust praise thee? Shall it declare thy truth? Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me: Lord, be thou my helper. Thou hast turned for me my mourning into dancing: thou hast put off my sackcloth, and girded me with gladness. To the end that my glory may sing praise to thee, and not be silent. O Lord my God, I will give thanks unto thee for ever.—*Ps.* xxx. 1.

Oh, how great is thy goodness, which thou hast laid up for them that fear thee; which thou hast wrought for them that trust in thee before the sons of men! Thou shalt hide them in the secret of thy presence from the pride of man: thou shalt keep them secretly in a pavilion from the strife of tongues. Blessed be the Lord: for he hath shewed me his marvellous kindness in a strong city. For I said in my haste, I am cut off from before thine eyes: nevertheless thou heardest the voice of my supplications when I cried unto thee.—*Ps.* xxxi. 19, &c.

Day and night thy hand was heavy upon me: my moisture is turned into the drought of sum-

mer. I acknowledged my sin unto thee, and mine iniquity have I not hid. I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord; and thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin. For this shall every one that is godly pray unto thee in a time when thou mayest be found: surely in the floods of great waters they shall not come nigh unto him. Thou art my hiding-place; thou shalt preserve me from trouble; thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance.—*Ps.* xxxii. 4.

I will bless the Lord at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul shall make her boast in the Lord: the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad. O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together. I sought the Lord, and he heard me, and delivered me from all my fears. They looked unto him, and were lightened: and their faces were not ashamed. This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him, and saved him out of all his troubles. —*Ps.* xxxiv. 1, &c.

I will abide in thy tabernacle for ever: I will trust in the covert of thy wings. For thou, O God, hast heard my vows: thou hast given me the heritage of those that fear thy name. So will I sing praise unto thy name for ever, that I may daily perform my vows.—*Ps.* lxi. 4.

I will pay thee my vows, which my lips have uttered, and my mouth hath spoken when I was in trouble. Verily God hath heard me; he hath attended to the voice of my prayer. Blessed be God, which hath not turned away my prayer, nor his mercy from me.—*Ps.* lxvi. 14.

Thou answeredst them, O Lord our God: thou wast a God that forgavest them, though thou tookest vengeance of their inventions.—*Ps.* xcix. 8.

I will praise thee: for thou hast heard me, and art become my salvation. Thou art my God, and I will praise thee: thou art my God, I will exalt thee.—*Ps.* cxviii. 21.

I called upon thy name, O Lord, out of the low dungeon. Thou hast heard my voice; thou drewest near in the day when I called upon thee: thou saidst, Fear not. O Lord, thou hast pleaded the causes of my soul; thou hast redeemed my life.—*Lam.* iii. 55.

Blessed be the name of God for ever and ever: for wisdom and might are his: and he changeth the times and the seasons: he removeth kings, and setteth up kings: he giveth wisdom unto the wise, and knowledge unto them that know understanding: he revealeth the deep and secret things: he knoweth what is in the darkness, and

the light dwelleth with him. I thank thee and praise thee, O thou God of my fathers, who hast given me wisdom and might, and hast made known unto me now what we desired of thee.—*Dan.* ii. 20, &c.

Out of the belly of hell cried I: and thou heardest my voice. For thou hadst cast me into the deep, in the midst of the seas; and the floods compassed me about: all thy billows and thy waves passed over me. Then I said, I am cast out of thy sight; yet I will look again toward thy holy temple. The waters compassed me about, even to the soul: the depth closed me round about, the weeds were wrapped about my head. I went down to the bottoms of the mountains; the earth with her bars was about me for ever: yet hast thou brought up my life from corruption, O Lord my God. When my soul fainted within me I remembered the Lord: and my prayer came in unto thee, into thine holy temple. They that observe lying vanities forsake their own mercy. But I will sacrifice unto thee with the voice of thanksgiving; I will pay that that I have vowed. Salvation is of the Lord.—*Jonah* ii. 2, &c.

Father, I thank thee that thou hast heard me. And I knew that thou hearest me always: but

because of the people which stand by I said it.—*John* xi. 41.

FOR DELIVERANCE FROM ENEMIES TEMPORAL AND SPIRITUAL, AND FOR VICTORY OVER THEM.

Blessed be the most high God, which hath delivered thine enemies into thine hand.—*Gen.* xiv. 20.

Thy right hand, O Lord, is become glorious in power: thy right hand, O Lord, hath dashed in pieces the enemy. And in the greatness of thine excellency thou hast overthrown them that rose up against thee: thou sentest forth thy wrath, which consumed them as stubble. The enemy said, I will pursue, I will overtake, I will divide the spoil; my lust shall be satisfied upon them; I will draw my sword, my hand shall destroy them. Thou didst blow with thy wind, the sea covered them: they sank as lead in the mighty waters. Who is like unto thee, O Lord, among the gods? Who is like thee, glorious in holiness, fearful in praises, doing wonders? Thou in thy mercy hast led forth the people which thou hast redeemed: thou hast guided them in thy strength unto thy holy habitation.—*Ex.* xv. 6, &c.

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore will not we fear,

though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea; though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.—*Ps.* xlvi. 1, &c.

Blessed be God, who hath not given us as a prey to their teeth.—*Ps.* cxxiv. 6.

Thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory, through our Lord Jesus Christ.—1 *Cor.* xv. 57.

FOR DELIVERANCE FROM TROUBLE, SICKNESS, AND DEATH.

I will sing of thy power; yea, I will sing aloud of thy mercy in the morning: for thou hast been my defence and refuge in the day of my trouble. Unto thee, O my strength, will I sing: for God is my defence, and the God of my mercy.—*Ps.* lix. 16.

O God, thou art my God; early will I seek thee: my soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh longeth for thee in a dry and thirsty land, where no water is; to see thy power and thy glory, so as I have seen thee in the sanctuary. Because thy loving-kindness is better than life, my lips shall praise thee. Thus will I bless thee while I live: I will lift up my hands in thy name. My soul shall be satisfied as with marrow and fatness;

and my mouth shall praise thee with joyful lips: when I remember thee upon my bed, and meditate on thee in the night watches. Because thou hast been my help, therefore in the shadow of thy wings will I rejoice. My soul followeth hard after thee: thy right hand upholdeth me.—*Ps.* lxiii. 1—8.

How terrible art thou in thy works! through the greatness of thy power shall thine enemies submit themselves unto thee. All the earth shall worship thee, and shall sing unto thee; they shall sing to thy name. For thou, O God, hast proved us: thou hast tried us, as silver is tried. Thou broughtest us into the net; thou laidst affliction upon our loins. Thou hast caused men to ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water: but thou broughtest us out into a wealthy place.—*Ps.* lxvi. 3, &c.

Thy vows are upon me, O God: I will render praises unto thee. For thou hast delivered my soul from death: wilt not thou deliver my feet from falling, that I may walk before God in the light of the living?—*Ps.* lvi. 12.

When I said, My foot slippeth; thy mercy, O Lord, held me up. In the multitude of my thoughts within me thy comforts delight my soul. But the Lord is my defence; and my God is the rock of my refuge.—*Ps.* xciv. 18.

Thou hast delivered my soul from death, mine eyes from tears, and my feet from falling. —*Ps.* cxvi. 8.

It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness. The Lord is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in him.—*Lam.* iii. 22.

Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort; who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble by the comfort, wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God.—2 *Cor.* i. 3.

FOR SALVATION, ELECTING LOVE, AND DELIVERANCE FROM THE BONDAGE OF SATAN.

Blessed be the Lord God of my master, who hath not left destitute my master of his mercy and his truth.—*Gen.* xxiv. 27.

A Syrian ready to perish was my father, and he went down into Egypt: and the Egyptians evil-entreated us, and afflicted us, and laid upon us hard bondage: and when we cried unto the Lord God of our fathers, the Lord heard our voice, and looked on our affliction, and our labour, and our oppression;

and the Lord brought us forth out of Egypt with a mighty hand, and with an outstretched arm, and with great terribleness, and with signs, and with wonders: and he hath brought us into this place, and hath given us this land, even a land that floweth with milk and honey. And now, behold, I have brought the first fruits of the land, which thou, O Lord, hast given me.—*Deut.* xxvi. 5, &c.

Who am I, O Lord God? and what is my house, that thou hast brought me hitherto? And what can I say more unto thee? for thou, Lord God, knowest thy servant. For thy word's sake, and according to thine own heart, hast thou done all these great things, to make thy servant know them. Wherefore thou art great, O Lord God: for there is none like thee, neither is there any God beside thee. And what one nation in the earth is like thy people Israel, which thou redeemedst to thee from Egypt? For thou hast confirmed to thyself thy people Israel to be a people unto thee for ever: and thou, Lord, art become their God. And let thy name be magnified for ever.—2 *Sam.* vii. 18.

I have trusted in thy mercy; my heart shall rejoice in thy salvation.—*Ps.* xiii. 5.

O God, when thou wentest forth before thy people, when thou didst march through the

wilderness, thou, O God, didst send a plentiful rain, whereby thou didst confirm thine inheritance, when it was weary. Thy congregation hath dwelt therein: thou, O God, hast prepared of thy goodness for the poor. Thou hast ascended on high, thou hast led captivity captive: thou hast received gifts for men; yea, for the rebellious also, that the Lord God might dwell among them. Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our salvation. He that is our God is the God of salvation; and unto God the Lord belong the issues from death. O God, thou art terrible out of thy holy places: the God of Israel is he that giveth strength and power unto his people. Blessed be God.—*Ps.* lxviii. 7, &c.

Thou art my hope, O Lord God: thou art my trust from my youth. By thee have I been holden up from the womb: thou art he that took me out of my mother's bowels: my praise shall be continually of thee. I am as a wonder unto many; but thou art my strong refuge. I will hope continually, and will yet praise thee more and more. My mouth shall shew forth thy righteousness and thy salvation all the day; for I know not the numbers thereof. I will go in the strength of the Lord God: I will make

mention of thy righteousness, even of thine only. Thy righteousness also, O God, is very high, who hast done great things: O God, who is like unto thee! Thou, which hast shewed me great and sore troubles, shalt quicken me again; and shalt bring me up again from the depths of the earth. Thou shalt increase my greatness, and comfort me on every side. I will also praise thee with the psaltery, even thy truth, O my God: unto thee will I sing, O thou Holy One of Israel. My lips shall greatly rejoice when I sing unto thee; and my soul, which thou hast redeemed. My tongue also shall talk of thy righteousness all the day long.—*Ps.* lxxi. 5.

I will remember the works of the Lord: surely I will remember thy wonders of old. I will meditate also of all thy work, and talk of thy doings. Thy way, O God, is in the sanctuary: who is so great a God as our God! Thou art the God that doest wonders: thou hast declared thy strength among the people. Thou hast with thine arm redeemed thy people, the sons of Jacob and Joseph. The waters saw thee, O God, the waters saw thee; they were afraid: the depths also were troubled. The clouds poured out water: the skies sent out a sound: thine arrows also went abroad. The voice of thy thunder was in

the heaven: the lightnings lightened the world: the earth trembled and shook. Thy way is in the sea, and thy path in the great waters, and thy footsteps are not known.—*Ps.* lxxvii. 11, &c.

In the day of my trouble I will call upon thee: for thou wilt answer me. All nations whom thou hast made shall come and worship before thee, O Lord; and shall glorify thy name. For thou art great, and doest wondrous things: thou art God alone. I will praise thee, O Lord my God, with all my heart: and I will glorify thy name for evermore. For great is thy mercy toward me: and thou hast delivered my soul from the lowest hell. Thou, O Lord, art a God full of compassion, and gracious, long-suffering, and plenteous in mercy and truth.—*Ps.* lxxxvi. 7.

O Lord, truly I am thy servant; I am thy servant, and the son of thine handmaid: thou hast loosed my bonds. I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and will call upon the name of the Lord.—*Ps.* cxvi. 16.

O Lord, I will praise thee: though thou wast angry with me, thine anger is turned away, and thou comfortest me. Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the Lord Jehovah is my strength and my song; he also is become my salvation.—*Isa.* xii. 1.

O Lord, thou art my God; I will exalt thee, I will praise thy name; for thou hast done wonderful things; thy counsels of old are faithfulness and truth. Thou hast been a strength to the poor, a strength to the needy in his distress, a refuge from the storm, a shadow from the heat, when the blast of the terrible ones shall be brought low. Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, and he will save us: this is the Lord; we have waited for him, we will be glad and rejoice in his salvation.—*Isa.* xxv. 1, &c.

We have a strong city; salvation will God appoint for walls and bulwarks. Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee.—*Isa.* xxvi. 1, &c.

Behold, for peace I had great bitterness: but thou hast in love to my soul delivered it from the pit of corruption: for thou hast cast all my sins behind thy back. For the grave cannot praise thee, death cannot celebrate thee: they that go down into the pit cannot hope for thy truth. The living, the living, he shall praise thee, as I do this day: the father to the children shall make known thy truth. The Lord was ready to save me: therefore we will sing songs all the days of our life in the house of the Lord. —*Isa.* xxviii. 17, &c.

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness.—*Isa.* lxi. 10.

O Lord, my strength, and my fortress, and my refuge in the day of affliction, the Gentiles shall come unto thee from the ends of the earth, and shall say, Surely our fathers have inherited lies, vanity, and things wherein there is no profit. —*Jer.* xvi. 19.

I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes. Even so, Father: for so it seemed good in thy sight.—*Matt.* xi. 25.

My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. For he hath regarded the low estate of his handmaiden: for, behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed. For he that is mighty hath done to me great things; and holy is his name. And his mercy is on them that fear him from generation to generation. He hath shewed strength with his arm; he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He hath put down the mighty from their seats, and exalted them of low degree. He hath filled the hungry with good things; and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He hath holpen his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy; as he spake to our fathers, to Abraham, and to his seed for ever.—*Luke* i. 46.

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel; for he hath visited and redeemed his people, and hath raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David; as he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets, which have been since the world began: that we should be saved from our enemies, and from the hand of all that hate us; to perform the mercy promised to our fathers, and to remember his holy covenant; the oath which he sware to our father Abraham, that he would grant unto us, that we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before him, all the days of our life.—*Luke* i. 68.

Blessed be the King that cometh in the name of the Lord: peace in heaven, and glory in the highest.—*Luke* xix. 38.

Lord, to whom shall we go? thou hast the words of eternal life. And we believe and are sure that thou art that Christ, the Son of the living God.—*John* vi. 68.

Now to him that is of power to stablish you according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the world

began, but now is made manifest, and by the scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, made known to all nations for the obedience of faith: To God only wise, be glory through Jesus Christ for ever. Amen.—*Rom.* xvi. 25.

Now, thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savour of his knowledge by us in every place.—2 *Cor.* ii. 14.

Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift. —2 *Cor.* ix. 15.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ: according as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love: having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise and glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved. In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace.—*Eph.* i. 3.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant

mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.—1 *Peter* i. 3, &c.

Thou art worthy! for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation; and hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.—*Rev.* v. 9.

ON THE BIRTH OF A CHILD.

Blessed be the Lord, which hath not left thee this day without a kinsman, that his name may be famous in Israel. And he shall be unto thee a restorer of thy life, and a nourisher of thine old age: for thy daughter-in-law, which loveth thee, which is better to thee than seven sons, hath borne him.—*Ruth* iv. 14.

For this child I prayed; and the Lord hath given me my petition which I asked of him: therefore also I have lent him to the Lord; as long as he liveth he shall be lent to the Lord.—1 *Sam.* i. 27.

THANKSGIVINGS FOR A WISE KING.

Blessed be the Lord this day, which hath given unto David a wise son over this great people.—1 *Kings* v. 7.

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, that made heaven and earth, who hath given to the king a wise son, endued with prudence and understanding, that might build an house for the Lord, and an house for his kingdom.—2 *Chron.* ii. 12.

Blessed be the Lord thy God, which delighteth in thee to set thee on his throne, to be king for the Lord thy God: because thy God loved Israel, to establish them for ever, therefore made he thee king over them, to do judgment and justice.—2 *Chron.* ix. 8.

Blessed be the Lord God of our fathers, which hath put such a thing as this in the king's heart, to beautify the house of the Lord: and hath extended mercy unto me before the king.—*Ezra* vii. 27.

FOR THE PEACE AND PROSPERITY OF THE CHURCH AND NATION.

Blessed be the Lord, that hath given rest to his people Israel, according to all that he promised: there hath not failed one word of all his good promise.—1 *Kings* viii. 56.

Who am I, O Lord God, and what is mine house, that thou hast brought me hitherto? O Lord, for thy servant's sake, and according to thine own heart, hast thou done all this greatness, in making known all these great things. O Lord, there is none like thee, neither is there any God beside thee, according to all that we have heard with our ears. And what one nation in the earth is like thy people Israel, whom thou hast redeemed out of Egypt? For thy people Israel didst thou make thine own people for ever; and thou, Lord, becamest their God. The Lord of hosts is the God of Israel, even a God to Israel. —1 *Chron.* xvii. 16.

Blessed be thou, Lord God of Israel our Father, for ever and ever. Thine, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty: for all that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine; thine is the kingdom, O Lord, and thou art exalted as head above all. Both riches and honour come of thee, and thou reignest over all; and in thine hand is power and might; and in thine hand it is to make great, and to give strength unto all. Now therefore, our God, we thank thee, and praise thy glorious name. But who am I, and what is my people, that we should be able to offer so will-

ingly after this sort? for all things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee. For we are strangers before thee, and sojourners, as were all our fathers: our days on the earth are as a shadow, and there is none abiding.—1 *Chron.* xxix. 10.

Thou hast put gladness in my heart, more than in the time that their corn and their wine increased. I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: for thou, Lord, only makest me dwell in safety.—*Ps.* iv. 7.

The Lord is the portion of mine inheritance and of my cup: thou maintainest my lot. The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places; yea, I have a goodly heritage. I have set the Lord always before me: because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved. Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth: my flesh also shall rest in hope. For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption. Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in thy presence is fulness of joy; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore. —*Ps.* xvi. 5.

Thou hast given me the shield of thy salvation: and thy right hand hath holden me up, and thy gentleness hath made me great. Thou hast

enlarged my steps under me; thou hast girded me with strength unto the battle. The Lord liveth; and blessed be my rock; and let the God of my salvation be exalted. Thou liftest me up above those that rise up against me: thou hast delivered me from the violent man. Therefore will I give thanks unto thee, O Lord, and sing praises unto thy name.—*Ps.* xviii. 35.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life.—*Ps.* xxiii. 4.

I will be glad and rejoice in thy mercy: for thou hast considered my trouble; thou hast known my soul in adversities; and hast not shut me up into the hand of the enemy: thou hast set my feet in a large room.—*Ps.* xxxi. 7.

Praise waiteth for thee, O God, in Sion: and unto thee shall the vow be performed. O thou that hearest prayer, unto thee shall all flesh come. Iniquities prevail against me: as for our transgressions, thou shalt purge them away. Blessed is the man whom thou choosest, and

causest to approach unto thee, that he may dwell in thy courts: we shall be satisfied with the goodness of thy house, even of thy holy temple. By terrible things in righteousness wilt thou answer us, O God of our salvation; who art the confidence of all the ends of the earth, and of them that are afar off upon the sea. They also that dwell in the uttermost parts are afraid at thy tokens: thou makest the outgoings of the morning and evening to rejoice. Thou visitest the earth, and waterest it: thou greatly enrichest it with the river of God, which is full of water: thou preparest them corn, when thou hast so provided for it. Thou waterest the ridges thereof abundantly: thou settlest the furrows thereof: thou makest it soft with showers: thou blessest the springing thereof. Thou crownest the year with thy goodness; and thy paths drop fatness. They drop upon the pastures of the wilderness: and the little hills rejoice on every side. The pastures are clothed with flocks; the valleys also are covered over with corn; they shout for joy. —*Ps.* lxv. 1, &c.

We thy people and sheep of thy pasture will give thee thanks for ever: we will show forth thy praise to all generations.—*Ps.* lxxix. 13.

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.—*Luke* ii. 14.

A KING'S, OR COMMANDER'S, FOR VICTORY.

I have pursued mine enemies, and destroyed them; and turned not again until I had consumed them. And I have consumed them, and wounded them, that they could not arise: yea, they are fallen under my feet. For thou hast girded me with strength to battle: them that rose up against me hast thou subdued. Thou hast also given me the necks of mine enemies, that I might destroy them that hate me. They looked, but there was none to save; even unto the Lord, but he answered them not. Then did I beat them as small as the dust of the earth, I did stamp them as the mire of the street, and did spread them abroad. Thou also hast delivered me from the strivings of my people, thou hast kept me to be head of the heathen. The Lord liveth; and blessed be my rock; and exalted be the God of the rock of my salvation. It is God that avengeth me, and that bringeth down the people under me, and that bringeth me forth from mine enemies: thou hast also lifted me up on high above them that rose up against me: thou hast delivered me from the

violent man. Therefore I will give thanks unto thee, O Lord, among the heathen, and I will sing praises unto thy name. He is the tower of salvation for his king: and sheweth mercy to his anointed, unto David, and to his seed for evermore.—2 *Sam.* xxii. 38.

GENERAL THANKSGIVINGS.

I will publish the name of the Lord: ascribe ye greatness unto God. He is the rock, his work is perfect: for all his ways are judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is he.—*Deut.* xxxii. 3.

Rejoice, O ye nations, with his people: for he will avenge the blood of his servants, and will render vengeance to his adversaries, and will be merciful unto his land, and to his people. —*Deut.* xxxii. 43.

My heart rejoiceth in the Lord, mine horn is exalted in the Lord; my mouth is enlarged over mine enemies; because I rejoice in thy salvation. There is none holy as the Lord: for there is none beside thee: neither is there any rock like our God. Talk no more so exceeding proudly; let not arrogancy come out of your mouth: for the Lord is a God of knowledge, and by him actions are weighed. The

Lord killeth, and maketh alive: he bringeth down to the grave, and bringeth up. The Lord maketh poor, and maketh rich: he bringeth low, and lifteth up. He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, and lifteth up the beggar from the dung-hill, to set them among princes, and to make them inherit the throne of glory: for the pillars of the earth are the Lord's, and he hath set the world upon them. He will keep the feet of his saints, and the wicked shall be silent in darkness; for by strength shall no man prevail. The adversaries of the Lord shall be broken to pieces; out of heaven shall he thunder upon them: the Lord shall judge the ends of the earth; and he shall give strength unto his king, and exalt the horn of his anointed.—1 *Sam.* ii. 1.

Blessed be the Lord, that hath pleaded the cause of my reproach from the hand of ——, and hath kept his servant from evil: for the Lord hath returned the wickedness of —— upon his own head.—1 *Sam.* xxv. 39.

The Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; the God of my rock; in him will I trust: he is my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my high tower, and my refuge, my Saviour; thou savest me from violence. In my distress I called upon the Lord, and cried to my

God: and he did hear my voice out of his temple, and my cry did enter into his ears. Thou art my lamp, O Lord: and the Lord will lighten my darkness. For by thee I have run through a troop: by my God have I leaped over a wall. As for God, his way is perfect; the word of the Lord is tried: he is a buckler to all them that trust in him. For who is God, save the Lord? and who is a rock, save our God? God is my strength and power: and he maketh my way perfect. He maketh my feet like hind's feet: and setteth me upon my high places. He teacheth my hands to war. Thou hast also given me the shield of thy salvation: and thy gentleness hath made me great. Thou hast enlarged my steps under me; so that my feet did not slip.—2 *Sam.* xxii. 2.

Happy are thy men, happy are these thy servants, which stand continually before thee, and that hear thy wisdom.—1 *Kings* x. 8.

He is good; for his mercy endureth for ever. —2 *Chron.* vii. 3.

Praise the Lord; for his mercy endureth for ever.—2 *Chron.* xx. 21.

Blessed be thy glorious name, which is exalted above all blessing and praise. Thou, even thou, art Lord alone; thou hast made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the

earth, and all things that are therein; and thou preservest them all; and the host of heaven worshippeth thee. Thou art the Lord the God, who didst choose Abram, and madest a covenant with him to give the land to his seed, and hast performed thy words; for thou art righteous. But they and our fathers dealt proudly, and hardened their necks, and hearkened not to thy commandments, and refused to obey, neither were mindful of thy wonders that thou didst among them. But thou art a God ready to pardon, gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and forsookest them not. Thou in thy manifold mercies forsookest them not in the wilderness: the pillar of the cloud departed not from them by day, to lead them in the way; neither the pillar of fire by night, to show them light, and the way wherein they should go. Thou gavest also thy good Spirit to instruct them, and withheldest not thy manna from their mouth, and gavest them water for their thirst. Nevertheless they were disobedient and rebelled against thee, and cast thy law behind their backs, and slew thy prophets which testified against them to turn them to thee, and they wrought great provocations. Nevertheless for thy great mercies' sake thou didst not utterly consume them, nor forsake them; for

thou art a gracious and merciful God.—*Neh.* ix. 5.

The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord.—*Job* i. 21.

O Lord our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth! who hast set thy glory above the heavens. Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings hast thou ordained strength, because of thine enemies, that thou mightest still the enemy and the avenger. When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained; what is man, that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him? For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honour. Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of thy hands; thou hast put all things under his feet: all sheep and oxen, yea, and the beasts of the field; the fowl of the air, and the fish of the sea, and whatsoever passeth through the paths of the seas. O Lord our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth!—*Ps.* viii. 1, &c.

I will praise thee, O Lord, with my whole heart; I will show forth all thy marvellous works. I will be glad and rejoice in thee: I

will sing praise to thy name, O thou Most High. When mine enemies are turned back, they shall fall and perish at thy presence. For thou hast maintained my right and my cause; thou satest in the throne judging right. Thou hast rebuked the heathen, thou hast destroyed the wicked, thou hast put out their name for ever and ever. The Lord also will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in times of trouble: and they that know thy name will put their trust in thee: for thou, Lord, hast not forsaken them that seek thee.—*Ps.* ix. 1.

Be thou exalted, Lord, in thine own strength: so will we sing and praise thy power.—*Ps.* xxi. 13.

My soul shall be joyful in the Lord: it shall rejoice in his salvation. All my bones shall say, Lord, who is like unto thee, which deliverest the poor from him that is too strong for him, yea, the poor and the needy from him that spoileth him?—*Ps.* xxxv. 9.

I will give thee thanks in the great congregation: I will praise thee among much people; and my tongue shall speak of thy praise, and of thy righteousness all the day long.—*Ps.* xxxv. 18.

Thy mercy, O Lord, is in the heavens; and

thy faithfulness reacheth unto the clouds. Thy righteousness is like the great mountains; thy judgments are a great deep: O Lord, thou preservest man and beast. How excellent is thy loving-kindness, O God! therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of thy wings. They shall be abundantly satisfied with the fatness of thy house; and thou shalt make them drink of the river of thy pleasures. For with thee is the fountain of life: in thy light shall we see light.—*Ps.* xxxvi. 5.

Many, O Lord my God, are thy wonderful works which thou hast done, and thy thoughts, which are to us-ward: they cannot be reckoned up in order unto thee: if I would declare and speak of them, they are more than can be numbered. Sacrifice and offering thou didst not desire; mine ears hast thou opened: burnt-offering and sin-offering hast thou not required. I delight to do thy will, O my God: yea, thy law is within my heart.—*Ps.* xl. 5.

By this I know that thou favourest me, because mine enemy doth not triumph over me. And as for me, thou upholdest me in mine integrity, and settest me before thy face for ever. Blessed be the Lord God of Israel from everlasting, and to everlasting. Amen.—*Ps.* xli. 11.

We have thought of thy loving-kindness, O God, in the midst of thy temple. According to thy name, O God, so is thy praise unto the ends of the earth: thy right hand is full of righteousness. Let Mount Zion rejoice, let the daughters of Judah be glad, because of thy judgments.—*Ps.* xlviii. 9.

I will praise thee for ever, because thou hast done it: and I will wait on thy name; for it is good before thy saints.—*Ps.* lii. 9.

I will freely sacrifice unto thee: I will praise thy name, O Lord; for it is good.—*Ps.* liv. 6.

Be thou exalted, O God, above the heavens; let thy glory be above all the earth. My heart is fixed, O God, my heart is fixed: I will sing and give praise. Awake up, my glory; awake, psaltery and harp: I myself will awake early; I will praise thee, O Lord, among the people: I will sing unto thee among the nations. For thy mercy is great unto the heavens, and thy truth unto the clouds.—*Ps.* lvii. 5—10.

Unto thee, O Lord, belongeth mercy.—*Ps.* lxii. 12.

Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel, who only doest wondrous things. And blessed be his glorious name for ever: and let the whole

earth be filled with his glory; Amen, and amen. *Ps.* lxxii. 18.

The day is thine, the night also is thine: thou hast prepared the light and the sun. Thou hast set all the borders of the earth: thou hast made summer and winter.—*Ps.* lxxiv. 16.

Unto thee, O God, do we give thanks, unto thee do we give thanks: for that thy name is near thy wondrous works declare.—*Ps.* lxxv. 1.

At thy rebuke, O God of Jacob, both the chariot and horse are cast into a dead sleep. Thou, even thou, art to be feared: and who may stand in thy sight when once thou art angry? Thou didst cause judgment to be heard from heaven; the earth feared, and was still. Surely the wrath of man shall praise thee: the remainder of wrath shalt thou restrain.—*Ps.* lxxvi. 6.

How amiable are thy tabernacles, O Lord of hosts! My soul longeth, yea, even fainteth for the courts of the Lord: my heart and my flesh crieth out for the living God. Yea, the sparrow hath found an house, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, even thine altars, O Lord of Hosts, my King, and my God. Blessed are they that dwell in thy

house: they will be still praising thee. Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee; in whose heart are the ways of them. Who passing through the valley of Baca make it a well; the rain also filleth the pools. They go from strength to strength, every one of them in Zion appeareth before God. A day in thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a door-keeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness. For the Lord is a sun and shield; the Lord will give grace and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly. O Lord of Hosts, blessed is the man that trusteth in thee.—*Ps.* lxxxiv. 1, &c.

I will sing of the mercies of the Lord for ever: with my mouth will I make known thy faithfulness to all generations. And the heavens shall praise thy wonders, O Lord: thy faithfulness also in the congregation of the saints. For who in the heaven can be compared unto the Lord? who among the sons of the mighty can be likened unto the Lord? God is greatly to be feared in the assembly of the saints, and to be had in reverence of all them that are about him. O Lord God of Hosts, who is a strong Lord like unto thee? or to thy faithfulness

round about thee? Thou rulest the raging of the sea: when the waves thereof arise, thou stillest them. Thou hast scattered thine enemies with thy strong arm. The heavens are thine, the earth also is thine: as for the world and the fulness thereof, thou hast founded them. The north and the south thou hast created them. Thou hast a mighty arm: strong is thy hand, and high is thy right hand. Justice and judgment are the habitation of thy throne: mercy and truth shall go before thy face. Blessed is the people that know the joyful sound: they shall walk, O Lord, in the light of thy countenance. In thy name shall they rejoice all the day: and in thy righteousness shall they be exalted. For thou art the glory of their strength: and in thy favour our horn shall be exalted. For the Lord is our defence; and the Holy One of Israel is our king: blessed be the Lord for evermore. Amen, and amen.—*Ps.* lxxxix. 1, &c.

It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto thy name, O Most High: to show forth thy loving-kindness in the morning, and thy faithfulness every night, for thou, Lord, hast made me glad through thy work: I will triumph in the works of thy hands. O Lord, how great are thy works! and

thy thoughts are very deep. Thou, Lord, art most high for evermore.—*Ps.* xcii. 1.

The Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods. In his hand are the deep places of the earth: the strength of the hills is his also. The sea is his, and he made it: and his hands formed the dry land.—*Ps.* xcv. 3.

Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof. Let the field be joyful, and all that is therein: then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice before the Lord: for he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth. He shall judge the world with righteousness, and the people with his truth.—*Ps.* xcvi. 11.

Thou, Lord, art high above all the earth: thou art exalted far above all gods.—*Ps.* xcvii. 9.

The Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting: and his truth endureth to all generations.—*Ps.* c. 5.

Bless the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless his holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits: who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases; who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with loving-

kindness and tender mercies; who satisfieth thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's. The Lord executeth righteousness and judgment for all that are oppressed. He made known his ways unto Moses, his acts unto the children of Israel. The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy. He will not always chide: neither will he keep his anger for ever. He hath not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is his mercy toward them that fear Him. As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us. Like as a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear Him. For He knoweth our frame; He remembereth that we are dust. As for man, his days are as grass: as a flower of the field, so he flourisheth. For the wind passeth over it, and it is gone; and the place thereof shall know it no more. But the mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear Him, and his righteousness unto children's children; to such as keep his covenant, and to those that remember his commandments to do them. The Lord hath pre-

pared his throne in the heavens; and his kingdom ruleth over all. Bless the Lord, ye his angels, that excel in strength, that do his commandments, hearkening unto the voice of his word. Bless ye the Lord, all ye his hosts; ye ministers of his that do his pleasure. Bless the Lord, all his works in all places of his dominion: bless the Lord, O my soul.—*Ps.* ciii. 1, &c.

Bless the Lord, O my soul. O Lord my God, thou art very great; thou art clothed with majesty and honour. Who coverest thyself with light as with a garment. Thou makest the darkness, and it is night: wherein all the beasts of the forest do creep forth. The young lions roar after their prey, and seek their meat from God. The sun ariseth, they gather themselves together, and lay them down in their dens. Man goeth forth unto his work and to his labour until the evening. O Lord, how manifold are thy works! in wisdom hast thou made them all: the earth is full of thy riches. So is this great and wide sea, wherein are things creeping innumerable, both small and great beasts. There go the ships: there is that leviathan, whom thou hast made to play therein. These wait all upon thee; that thou mayest give them their meat in due season. That thou givest them they gather:

thou openest thy hand, they are filled with good. Thou hidest thy face, they are troubled: thou takest away their breath, they die, and return to their dust. Thou sendest forth thy spirit, they are created: and thou renewest the face of the earth. Bless thou the Lord, O my soul.—*Ps.* civ. 1, &c.

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel from everlasting to everlasting: and let all the people say, Amen.—*Ps.* cvi. 48.

I will praise thee, O Lord, among the people: and I will sing praises unto thee among the nations. For thy mercy is great above the heavens: and thy truth reacheth unto the clouds.—*Ps.* cviii. 3.

Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time forth and for evermore.—*Ps.* cxiii. 2.

Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto thy name give glory, for thy mercy, and for thy truth's sake.—*Ps.* cxv.

Thy name, O Lord, endureth for ever; and thy memorial, O Lord, throughout all generations.—*Ps.* cxxxv. 13.

O Lord, thou hast searched me, and known me. Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising, thou understandest my thought afar off. Thou compassest my path and my lying down,

and art acquainted with all my ways. For there is not a word in my tongue, but, lo, O Lord, thou knowest it altogether. Thou hast beset me behind and before, and laid thine hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high, I cannot attain unto it. Whither shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from thy presence? If I ascend up into heaven, thou art there: if I make my bed in hell, behold, thou art there. If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea; even there shall thy hand lead me, and thy right hand shall hold me. If I say, Surely the darkness shall cover me; even the night shall be light about me. Yea, the darkness hideth not from thee; but the night shineth as the day: the darkness and the light are both alike to thee. For thou hast possessed my reins: thou hast covered me in my mother's womb. I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well. My substance was not hid from thee, when I was made in secret, and curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being imperfect; and in thy book all my members were written, which in continuance were

fashioned, when as yet there was none of them. How precious also are thy thoughts unto me, O God! how great is the sum of them! If I should count them, they are more in number than the sand: when I awake, I am still with thee.—*Ps.* cxxxix. 1—18.

Blessed be the Lord my strength, which teacheth my hands to war, and my fingers to fight: my goodness, and my fortress; my high tower, and my deliverer; my shield, and he in whom I trust. Lord, what is man, that thou takest knowledge of him! or the son of man, that thou makest account of him.—*Ps.* cxliv. 1.

The Lord upholdeth all that fall, and raiseth up all those that be bowed down. The eyes of all wait upon thee; and thou givest them their meat in due season. Thou openest thine hand and satisfiest the desire of every living thing.—*Ps.* cxlv. 14.

There is none like unto thee, O Lord; thou art great, and thy name is great in might. Who would not fear thee, O King of nations? for to thee doth it appertain.—*Jer.* x. 6.

A glorious high throne from the beginning is the place of our sanctuary. O Lord, the hope of Israel, all that forsake thee shall be ashamed.—*Jer.* xvii. 12.

Praise the Lord of hosts: for the Lord is good; for his mercy endureth for ever.—*Jer.* xxxiii. 11.

My God, we know thee.—*Hosea* viii. 2.

Although the fig-tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls: yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation. The Lord God is my strength, and he will make my feet like hind's feet, and he will make me to walk upon mine high places.—*Habakkuk* iii. 17.

Of a truth thou art the Son of God.—*Matt.* xiv. 33.

Hosanna to the son of David: blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest.—*Matt.* xxi. 9.

Hosanna; blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord: blessed be the kingdom of our father David, that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.—*Mark* xi. 9.

Hosanna; blessed is the King of Israel that cometh in the name of the Lord.—*John* xii. 13.

I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. —*Romans* vii. 25.

Of him, and through him, and to him, are all things; to whom be glory for ever. Amen.

Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto him be glory in the Church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.—*Eph.* iii. 20.

Now unto God and our Father be glory for ever and ever. Amen.—*Phil.* iv. 20.

Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.—1 *Tim.* i. 17.

The blessed and only potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords; who only hath immortality, dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto; whom no man hath seen, nor can see: to whom be honour and power everlasting. Amen.—1 *Tim.* vi. 15.

And the Lord shall deliver me from every evil work, and will preserve me unto his heavenly kingdom: to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.—2 *Tim.* iv. 18.

To whom be praise and dominion for ever and ever.—1 *Peter* iv. 11.

To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen.—2 *Peter* iii. 18.

Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen.—*Jude* 24.

Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood, and hath made us kings and priests unto God and his father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.—*Rev.* i. 5.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come. Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.—*Rev.* iv. 8.

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.—*Rev.* v. 12.

Blessing, and honour, and glory, and power, be unto him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever.—*Rev.* v. 13.

Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb.—*Rev.* vii. 10.

Amen: blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might,

be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen.—*Rev.* vii. 12.

The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever. We give thee thanks, O Lord God Almighty, which art, and wast, and art to come; because thou hast taken to thee thy great power, and hast reigned.—*Rev.* xi. 15.

Great and marvellous are thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are thy ways, thou King of saints. Who shall not fear thee, O Lord, and glorify thy name? for thou only art holy: for all nations shall come and worship before thee; for thy judgments are made manifest. —*Rev.* xv. 3.

Thou art righteous, O Lord, which art, and wast, and shall be, because thou hast judged thus. For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets, and thou hast given them blood to drink; for they are worthy. Even so, O Lord God Almighty, true and righteous are thy judgments.—*Rev.* xvi. 5.

Alleluia; Salvation, and glory, and honour, and power, unto the Lord our God: for true and righteous are his judgments: for he hath judged the great whore, which did corrupt the earth

with her fornication, and hath avenged the blood of his servants at her hand. Alleluia. Amen. Alleluia, Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.—*Rev.* xix. 1, &c.

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